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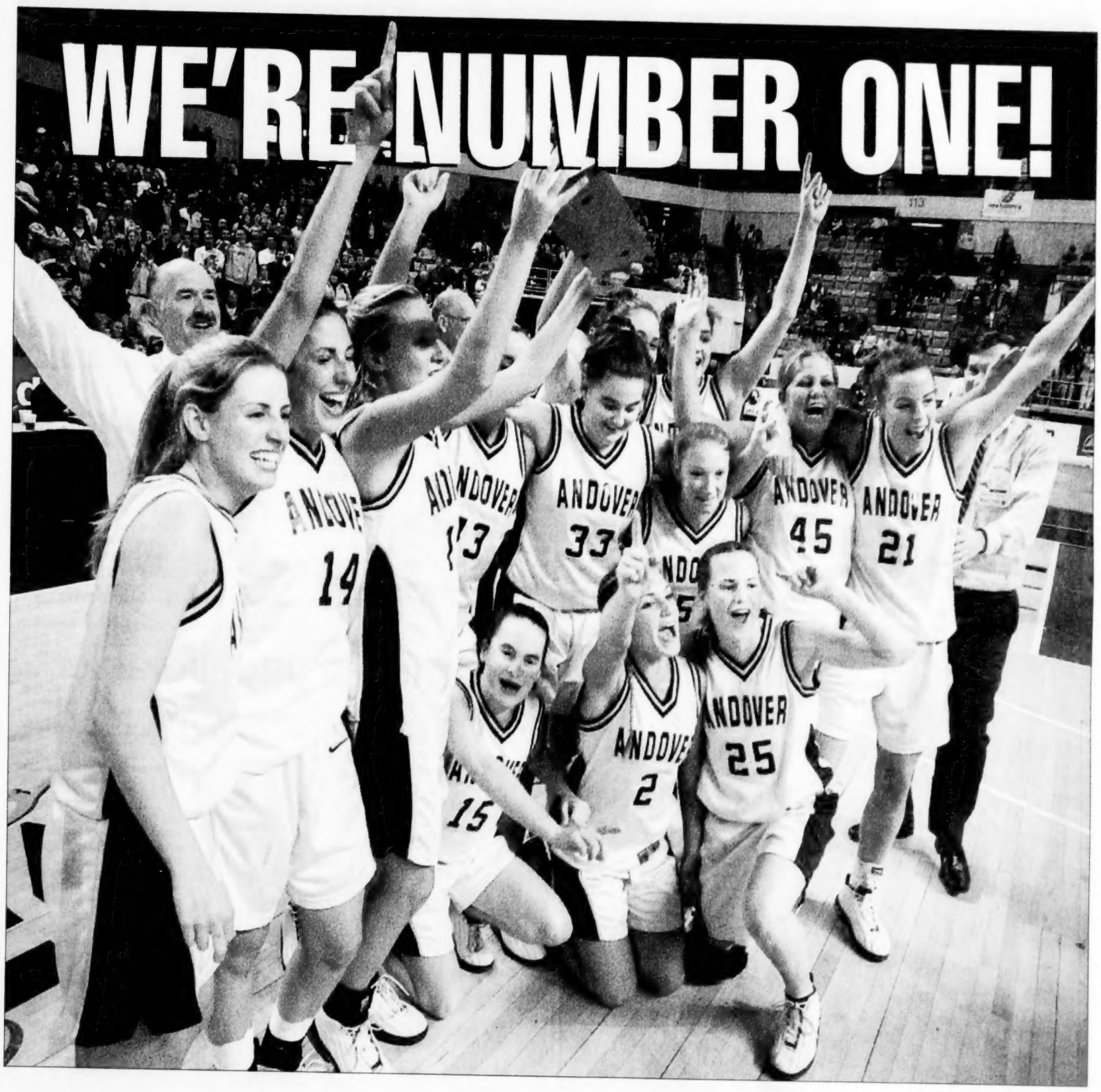

The Andover High basketball team shows off its No. 1 state ranking after beating Minnechaug Regional, 48-47, in a thriller at the Worcester Centrum.

Lisa Poole/*Staff photo*

A dream that became reality

Town comes together in victory

By John Tomase
Staff Writer

ANDOVER — The little boy peeked at Samantha Hughes, then hid behind his mother in the Market Basket Tuesday night.

He grabbed his sister and tried not to stare.

"See that girl?" he stammered. "She's on the Andover High School basketball team."

He didn't want Hughes to know he was talking about her, but his youthful enthusiasm betrayed him.

"I didn't say anything," Hughes said. "I was too embarrassed."

She needn't have been. Her basket and free throw with nine-tenths of a second left made her the hero of Andover's 48-47 Division 1 state championship victory over Minnechaug Regional Saturday at the Worcester Centrum.

But as the above encounter illustrates, the Golden Warriors did more than secure the first girls basketball title in school history. They captured the imagination of a town.

As the season unfolded, Andover's accomplishments became about something bigger than basketball. The community didn't just embrace the team. At a time when it needed it more than ever, it embraced itself.

"It's tough out there between the war with Iraq, people out of work, budget cuts," said 1982 Andover grad Carmen Scarpa, one of the team's biggest benefactors. "High school sports are one of the last bastions of hope. There aren't a lot of things left to bring a town together like this."

The Golden Warriors were a unifying force. Senior Merry Fish marveled at the seas of blue and gold that rolled into first the Tsongas Arena, then the FleetCenter, then finally the Centrum. Navy blue t-shirts emblazoned with an eagle on the front and "This is Warrior Territory" on the back were ubiquitous.

During the final period of class Friday, the marching band led the team around the school to raucous cheers and high fives. Over 200 students and fans then awaited them at the gym Saturday night to celebrate their victory. They applauded as the players cut down the nets in the traditional symbol of a title.

"It's unbelievable how much the town cared," Fish said.

And still cares. Coach Jim Tildsley said he's been congratulated by strangers in restaurants and beeped at by clapping drivers as he walks along the street.

The team was honored at a recent school committee meeting, they'll appear at a future selectman's meeting, and a trip to the state house may even be in the works.

"We're still on cloud nine," Tildsley said. "This is a once in a lifetime thing. It so nice to see all the smiles."

Town manager Buzz Stapczynski said his neighbors watched Andover's state tournament games, even though their children attend Central Catholic. Scarpa said two families who hadn't been to a game all year couldn't stop talking about the state finals after making the trip to Worcester.

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>
> **Samantha Hughes**

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DIVISION 1 STATE TITLE

ANDOVER'S CHAMPIONS

HUGHES ANSWERS CALL ...

ANDOVER 48, MINNECHAUG 47

By Tim Bresnahan
Staff Writer

WORCESTER — Samantha Hughes didn't choose to be a hero. But when the opportunity came to her, she answered the call brilliantly.

With Andover trailing by two points in the last seconds of the Division 1 state title game, Jenny Muller's driving shot fell well short of the basket. Trailing the play, Hughes unwittingly put herself in perfect position.

Samantha Hughes

"I just felt the ball fall into my hands," explained Hughes. "My natural reaction was to throw it back up."

Good thing she trusted her instincts. Hughes not only scored on the putback to tie the game with just 0.9 seconds left, she also drew a foul on the play. And with Andover's first state championship one nerve-racking free throw away, the senior forward wore a smile on her face, stepped to the line, and sent a team — and an entire town — into rapture with a single, silky swish.

"I have a sprained ankle, and I still jumped as high as I ever could," said Andover junior Ashley McLaughlin after the Golden Warriors' 48-47 win over Minnechaug in front of almost 7,000 fans at the Worcester Centrum. "It was the happiest feeling I've ever felt. It still feels like a dream."

Muller, Andover's star point guard, led all scorers with 24 points, including two free throws with 1:56 left to narrow Minnechaug's lead to 47-45. But once again, it was the marvelous defense that gave the Golden Warriors a chance to win.

Confronted with 6-1 pillar Laura Menty (20.5 ppg), Andover turned to the 6-1 McLaughlin and 5-11 Matia Kostakis. The Golden Warriors' twin towers did a superb job, holding Menty to just 13 points while staying out of foul trouble.

"She's probably one of the biggest girls I've played against," said McLaughlin of Menty. "She's very strong, was pushing me around, and it's hard to cover her. Matia did an amazing job getting rebounds."

Indeed, Kostakis grabbed a game-high 18 rebounds. She also took a key charge and scored four points. Her biggest contribution, however, was a defensive board with 26 seconds left and Minnechaug up by two.

"If I didn't get that rebound, we'd probably lose," said Kostakis. "I knew if we got the ball, Jenny or someone would score."

Kostakis' cohort in the middle, McLaughlin, scored 10 points (including a huge second-half 3-pointer), but truly excelled on the defensive end. She made two quick steals which Andover converted into four points that erased a 38-34 deficit with six minutes to go.

Meanwhile, Muller harassed point guard Brie Bellefeuille all day and forced her into several turnovers, especially when Andover pressed.

"When we played man-to-man, (Bellefeuille) couldn't make the entry pass," said Andover coach Jim Tildsley, "because Jenny was all over her."

Andover charged out of the gates, with Kostakis, Muller and McLaughlin all scoring to give the Golden Warriors a 9-1 lead.

Minnechaug quickly came back behind a pair of 3-pointers from guard Amy Wilson (12 points) to tie the game, but Andover soon rebuilt the lead to eight thanks to ferocious rebounding from Kostakis (10 boards in the first half), some opportunistic defense and several impressive running baskets from Muller.

Once Kostakis left the game with two fouls late in the half, however, Minnechaug mounted another rally. Menty, who didn't hit a field goal for almost 13 minutes, rattled off six quick points to single-handedly bring the Falcons to within two (23-21) at the

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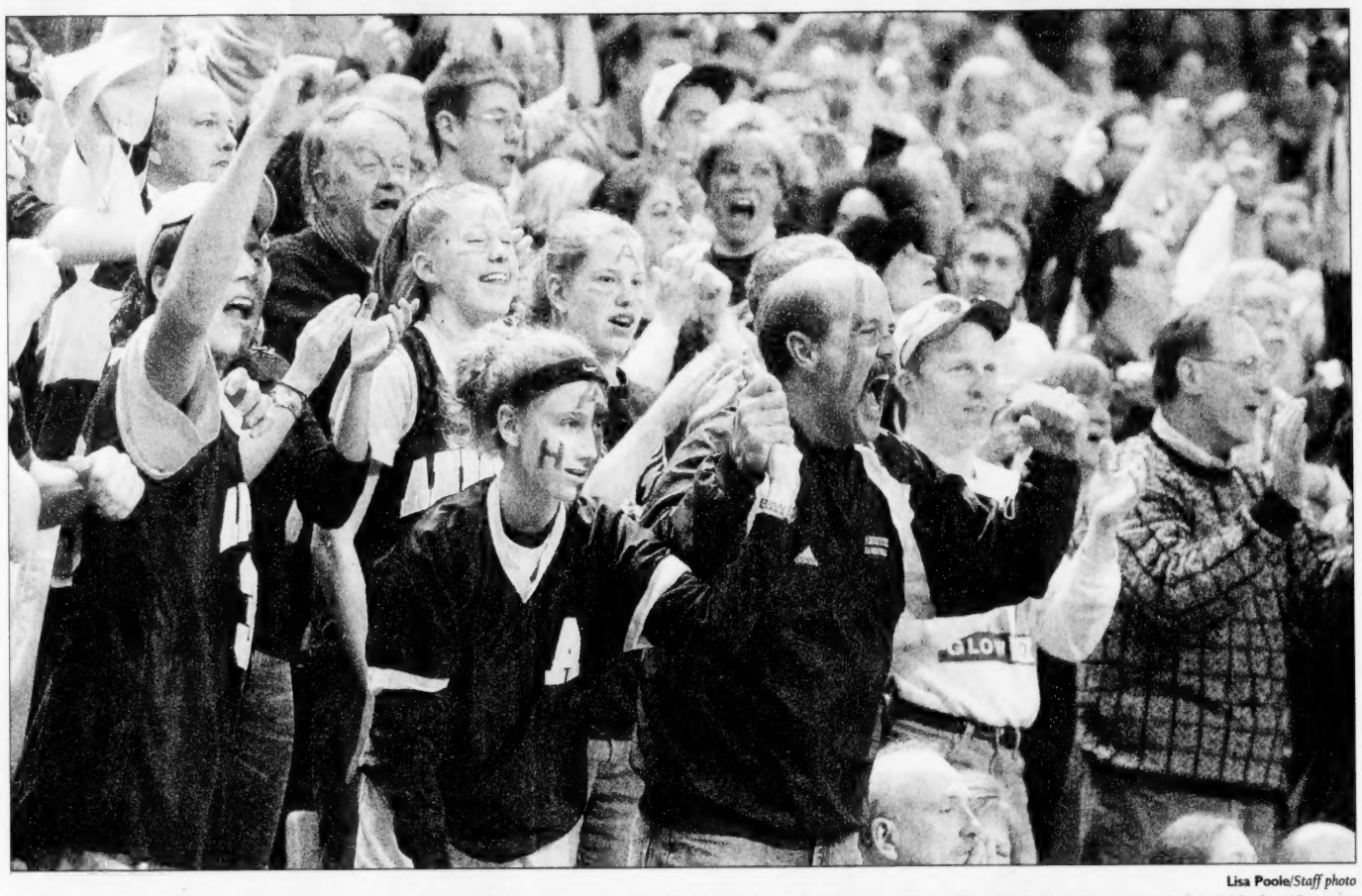

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All of the Andover High girls said the fan support was overwhelming on Championship Saturday. Here, the Andover side of the stands cheer in approval after a big fourth quarter basket at the Worcester Centrum.

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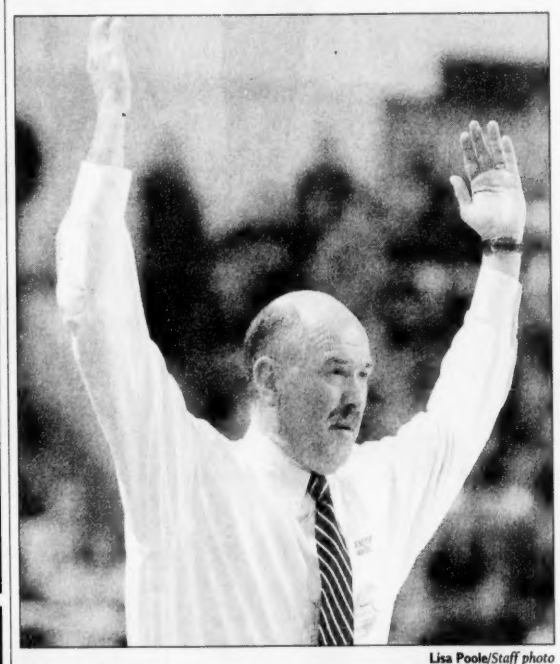

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Andover High coach Jim Tildsley raises his arms after a 3-point shot in the second half of the state championship game at the Worcester Centrum.

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"It really was a community-wide following," Stapczynski said. "More than just the high school kids and the parents, the team spirit spread into the entire community."

That was never more evident than after the final buzzer Saturday. The Golden Warriors hugged briefly on the floor, then made a beeline to the stands to celebrate with their fans.

Fish leapt into the arms of teammate Kerri O'Dea's father. Hughes saluted a group of fans chanting her name. Team captain and star Jenny Muller held the championship trophy aloft for her twin sisters Sarah and Charlotte, who had reached the team's first state final in 1998.

"People have said you're going to remember this for the rest of your life, and I still haven't been able to stop thinking about it," Hughes said. "I've probably said thank you 9,000 times in the last three days."

Scarpa, a venture capitalist, received hand-written thank you notes from every girl on the team after buying them sweatsuits. He's offered to purchase state championship jackets.

"I've done pretty well in life and a big part of it is the Andover school system," he said. "This is just a small way to give back."

Scarpa watched Saturday's game with his wife Jeannie and children Alicia, 10, C.J., 8 and Nick 6. Junior star Ashley McLaughlin thrilled his youngest with an autograph.

But unlike the boy Hughes encountered in the supermarket, Nick wasn't shy about professing his admiration.

"He wants her to babysit him," Scarpa said. "She said yes."

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ANDOVER WINS STATE TITLE

It's trophy time. Here the Andover High team, including the coaches, show off their new trophy immediately after the presentation on the Worcester Centrum floor.

Lisa Poole/Staff photo

Andover: One shot made difference, indescribable joy

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break. She also scored the 1,000th point of her career during the run.

Meanwhile, Andover didn't score in the last 2:43.

"I thought we made some crucial mistakes in the first half," said Tildsley. "But we were still up two points."

Muller scored two quick buckets to start the second half, only to have Marybeth Maziarz answer with four fast points for the Falcons. Another 3-pointer from Wilson gave Minnechaug the lead for the first time all day at 32-30.

The Falcons increased the lead to four, but McLaughlin's thievery set up two Muller baskets to tie it at 38. A Muller 3-pointer with 4:05 left made it 43-43.

"She's good, she's tough to stop," said Falcons coach Dave Yelle. "We probably did as good a job defending her as anyone, but she still hit some baskets."

Mikara Cimmino scored on a putback to give Minnechaug a 45-43 edge and, after a missed 1-and-1 free throw at the Andover end, Menty hit from close range to make it 47-43 with 2:03 to play. Minnechaug wouldn't score again.

Muller drained two free throws with 1:56 left, then forced a Falcons turnover. She threw the ball away on Andover's possession, but quickly made up for it by tying up Mendy for a jump ball. Still, Minnechaug retained the ball thanks to the possession arrow. Finally, Bellefeuille took a shot that hit the rim and fell to Kostakis, for her 18th and biggest rebound of the night.

On the final possession, Muller drove down the left side of the lane, bringing several green-clad defenders with her. Hoping to draw a foul, she went up for a shot that skimmed the backboard but didn't hit the rim. The awkward trajectory of the shot may have helped the Golden Warriors, because Hughes had plenty of room to catch the ball and bank it into the net for the equalizer.

"We certainly forced them to take the shot we wanted them to take," said Yelle. "I thought our last 20 seconds of defense were great."

He quickly amended, "The last 19 seconds."

That one little second made the difference between heartbreak and indescribable joy.

"It's just amazing," said Hughes. "I'm completely overwhelmed."

She wasn't the only one.

ANDOVER 48
MINNECHAUG 47

Division 1 state final
at Worcester Centrum

Minnechaug (47): Brie Bellefeuille 1-0-2, Amy Wilson 4-0-12, Laura Menty 6-1-13, Mikara Cimmino 5-1-11, Marybeth Maziarz 4-1-9. Totals 20-3-47

Andover (48): Jackie Powers 1-0-2, Merry Fish 0-0-0, Jenny Muller 10-2-24, Matia Kostakis 2-0-4, Ashley McLaughlin 3-3-10, Samantha Hughes 2-4-8, Meagan Merinder 0-0-0. Totals 18-9-48

3-pointers: M—Wilson 4; A—Muller 2, McLaughlin

Halftime: Andover 23-21

Records: Andover 24-1; Minnechaug 23-2

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Andover Golden Warriors (24-1)
Coach: Jim Tildsley (8th year, 163-23)

NAME	NO.	POSITION	HEIGHT	YEAR
Jackie Powers	2	Guard	5-7	Soph.
Merry Fish	3	Guard	5-6	Sr.
Emily Pallota	4	Guard	5-6	Fr.
Brittany Moriarty	5	Guard	5-6	Soph.
Jenny Muller	10	Guard	5-7	Sr.
Matia Kostakis	12	Forward	5-11	Jr.
Ashley McLaughlin	13	Forward	6-1	Jr.
Samantha Hughes	14	Forward	5-8	Sr.
Arianna Miliotis	15	Guard	5-6	Jr.
Meagan Merinder	21	Center	5-11	Jr.
Liz Pallota	25	Guard	5-7	Jr.
Kerrie O'Dea	33	Forward	5-7	Jr.
Colleen Haugh	43	Center	5-11	Jr.
Kerrie Dargan	45	Forward	5-7	Sr.

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Jim Tildsley, Andover girls basketball coach

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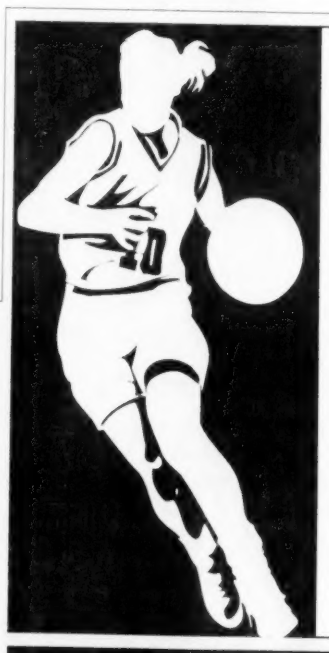

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ANDOVER HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM: (from left, front row) Arianna Miliotis, Liz Pallotta, Kerrie Dargan, Jenny Muller, Merry Fish and Brittany Moriarty; (from left, back row) head coach Jim Tildsley, Samantha Hughes, Jackie Powers, Meagan Merinder, Ashley McLaughlin, Matia Kostakis, Colleen Haugh, Kerri O'Dea and assistant coach Dick Muller.

THE STARTERS

GUARD
Jenny Muller

Grade: Senior
Favorite memory from state title game: "Holding up the trophy and showing the fans. We had so many fans there. To have so many of them, cheering right in front of us, felt so good."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "Our team leader and coach on the floor. I think she's the best I've coached. The twins (Muller's older sisters) had each other. She's had to be point guard and scorer."

GUARD
Merry Fish

Grade: Senior
Favorite memory from state title game: "Jumping on Sammi after the game. I kept screaming 'You're my friend!' It was amazing that she got the rebound, everyone started going crazy. We didn't know what to do. It was the highlight of my career."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "Our 3-point shooter. She had her best game of the year the other night (at the FleetCenter). She knows her role."

FORWARD
Ashley McLaughlin

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "When it was the last play, when we were losing by two. We were walking back onto the floor. Hearing all the fans. Saw a sea of fans and a tremendous noise. It gave us so much energy. I just knew we were going to win."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "One of the top two players in the state (along with Jenny Muller). She's come through all this year."

FORWARD
Samantha Hughes

Grade: Senior
Favorite memory from state title game: "The last 10 seconds were amazing. And then near the end, when Jackie Powers jumped on me and I fell to the floor. I didn't even know if the basket went in ... It was the biggest crowd ever for a girls basketball game. Just hearing that was amazing."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "Probably our most improved player. She does all the little things that coaches notice. She gets loose balls, boxes out well, is an excellent free throw shooter. "

CENTER
Matia Kostakis

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "The fact that we all stuck together when we were losing. That last play was absolutely amazing. I was right there under the basket. I was right next to her. We were both waiting for the rebound. Watching her put it up and in was amazing."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "Our best rebounder. She's had a great second half of the season. She'll really be heard from in the future. She has a knack for the ball and excellent timing."

THE RESERVES

GUARD
Jackie Powers

Grade: Sophomore
Favorite memory from state title game: "The end of the game was incredible, the way we won ... I'll never forget it."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "Probably the best athlete on the team. Quick. Great defensive player. She's come a long way."

GUARD
Arianna Miliotis

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "There were just so many people from our school and town. The Centrum was so loud. Obviously, the last second of the game. It was amazing that she made the shot and then the foul shot. And then afterward, the celebrating was the best ever, once in a lifetime ... Hopefully twice in a lifetime if you consider next year."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "A great practice player. Has overcome a lot of adversity. The kids look up to her."

CENTER
Meagan Merinder

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "The last 10 seconds were the best. The whole game we were struggling back and forth. You could see the heart. We never gave up and then Samantha makes the shot and the free throw ... and the fans, they were awesome, too."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "She's worked her way into the rotation. She's an excellent rebounder who knows her role. She's worked hard all year."

FORWARD
Liz Pallotta

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "The support was amazing. I couldn't believe how many kids from Andover were there. To see all the people with their faces painted with gold and blue was awesome. It really lifted us."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "She hustles all over the court. She's a good jump shooter. She gets every loose ball."

FORWARD
Kerrie Dargan

Grade: Senior
Favorite memory from state title game: "At 0.9 seconds when Sam Hughes put the last basket in and then made the free throw ... We all went crazy. Pretty much that was it. It was the greatest feeling ever."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "One of our favorite players on the team. The kids all look up to her. It's so nice as a coach to look at the bench and not look at all sourpusses. I attribute that to Kerrie. Excellent free throw shooter."

CENTER
Colleen Haugh

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "That moment when the clock was running down. Brittany and I were locking arms. And we tied it up and then won. And then we ran on the court. It was a feeling I'll never forget, jumping and hugging everyone in sight."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "She boxes out well and rebounds well. She's a great kid to have on the team."

FORWARD
Kerri O'Dea

Grade: Junior
Favorite memory from state title game: "When Sammi scored and made that free throw ... I've never been that excited before. It's something I'll never forget."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "A great person to have on the team. She's always upbeat, always cheering and always encouraging kids."

GUARD
Brittany Moriarty

Grade: Sophomore
Favorite memory from state title game: "Running out onto the court with everyone. We were hugging everyone, right and left. And then when I got to Sammie, I remembered hugging her. I was so proud of her."
Coach Jim Tildsley quote: "She led our JV team to an undefeated season. She's a great practice player. She's learned a lot being with the varsity team."

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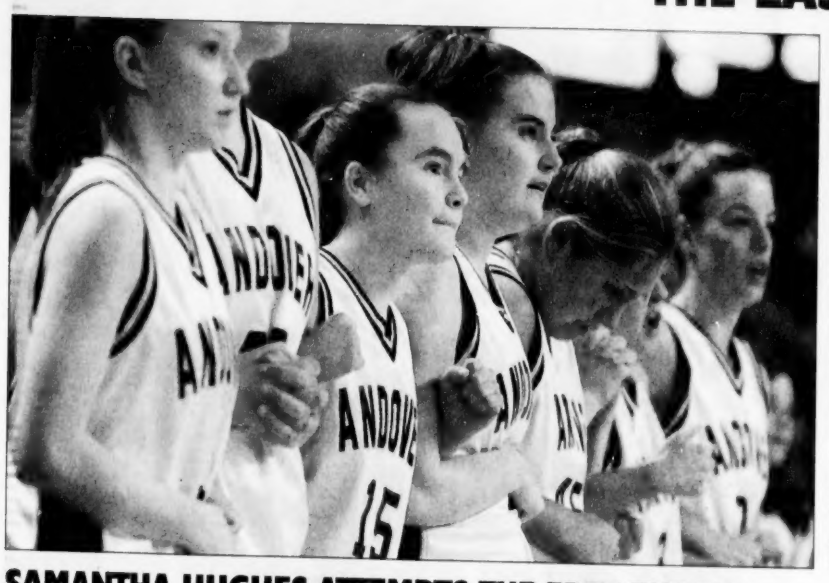
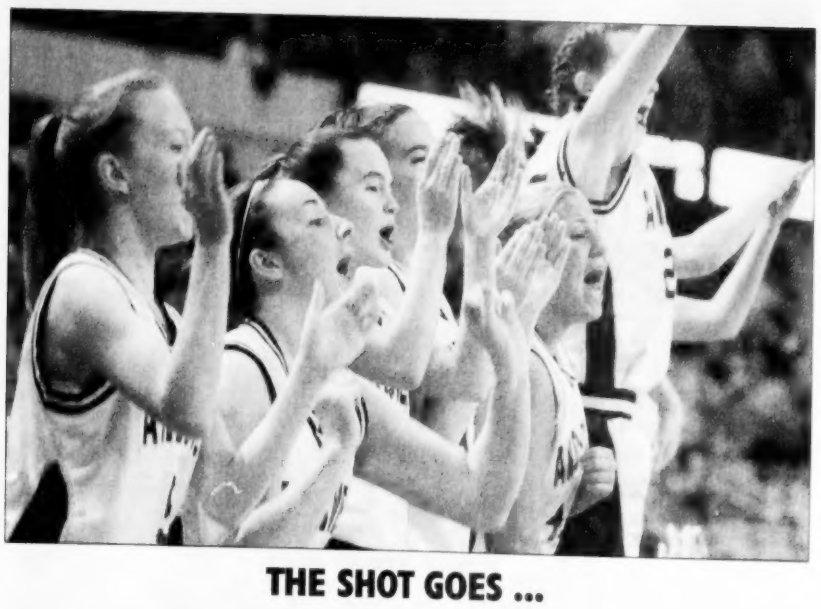


SAMANTHA HUGHES ATTEMPTS THE FREE THROW ...



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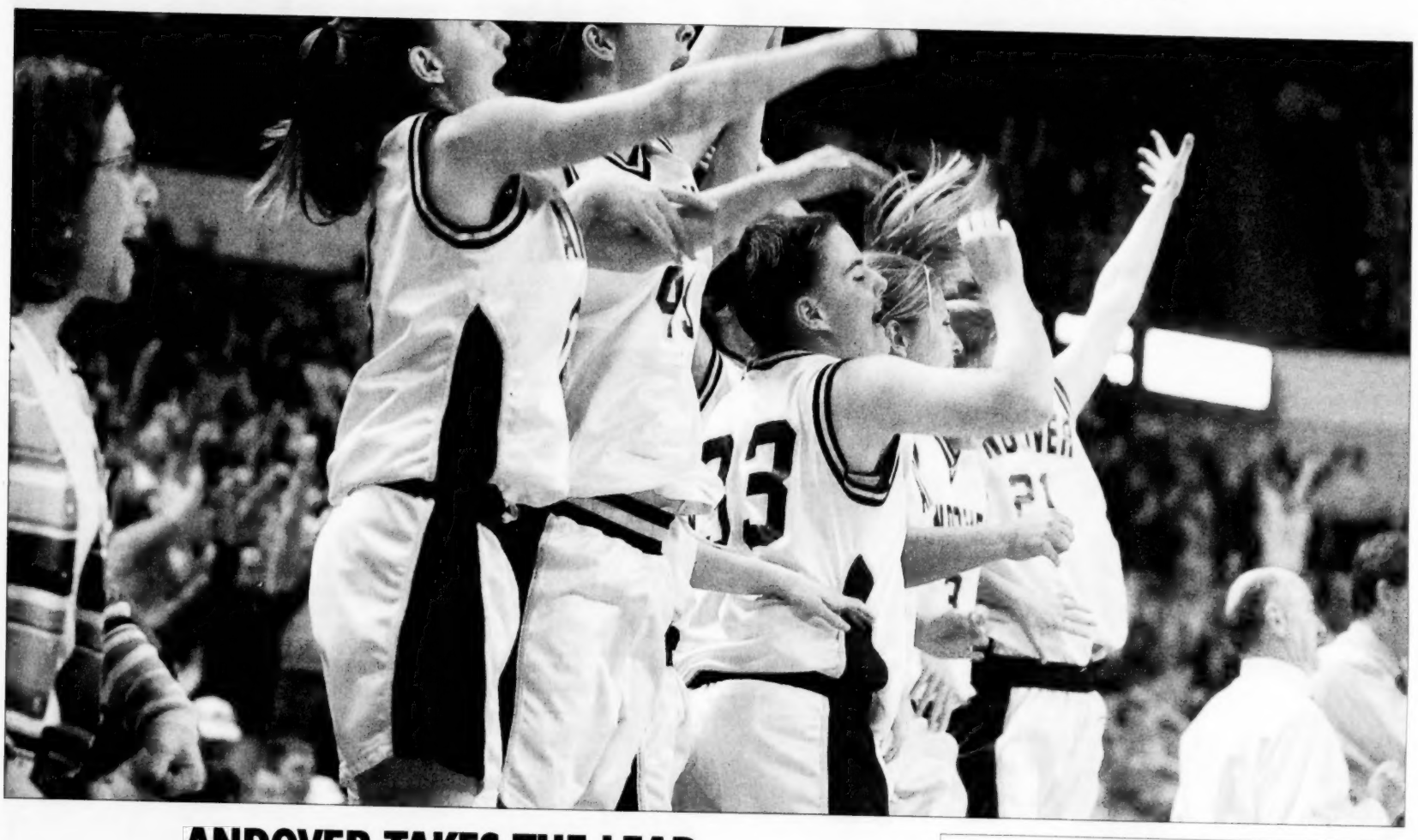


ANDOVER TAKES THE LEAD ... TIME TO CELEBRATE

TWO MINUTES TO GLORY

Andover's state championship came down to a thrilling finish.

Here's how the final two minutes transpired:

1:56 — Andover's Jenny Muller sinks two free throws, cutting Minnechaug's lead to 47-45.

1:36 — Muller deflection leads to Minnechaug turnover.

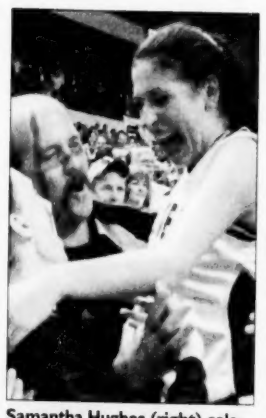
1:25 — Muller turns over the ball.

:49 — Muller forces jump ball near midcourt, but the possession arrow gives the ball back to Minnechaug.

:26 — Andover's Matia Kostakis grabs defensive rebound off miss by Minnechaug's Brie Bellefeuille.

:00.9 — Muller drives to the hoop heavily guarded. Her shot grazes the bottom of the backboard and falls to teammate Samantha Hughes, who puts the ball back up and in for the tying bucket. Fouled on the play, Hughes hits the ensuing free throw to make it 48-47.

:00.0 — Minnechaug's last-second heave falls well short, ensuring Andover's win.



Samantha Hughes (right) celebrates after her shot won the state championship game.

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SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Andover: 24-1

Warriors had a few hurdles along the way

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BOSTON: The Andover girls basketball team poses for a photo in front of the famed Celtics leprechaun on the floor of the FleetCenter after winning the Eastern Mass. championship game against Newton North.

DECEMBER

Game 1

Andover 42
Tewksbury 36

Nobody is talking state titles as Andover struggles in its opener against a team it usually demolishes. Although the game is played on Friday the 13th, thanks to Jenny Muller (18 points), Ashley McLaughlin (14 rebounds) and Samantha Hughes (13 rebounds) there is no nightmarish loss.

Game 2

Andover 39
Central Catholic 25

Fears that Jenny Muller and Ashley McLaughlin might have to do everything this season for the Golden Warriors are allayed as unheralded Matia Kostakis shows she has star potential, too. The fiery junior forward grabs 12 rebounds, while McLaughlin is an intimidating presence on defense with seven blocks against Andover's formidable archrival.

Game 3

Andover 56
Lawrence 31

Ashley McLaughlin registers another double-double and soccer star Jackie Powers proves she can score on the hardwood as well with 16 points. Jenny Muller is in a giving mood with 10 assists.

Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney Semifinals

Game 4

Andover 74
Methuen 49

Methuen's explosive offense is quieted by a swarming defense in opening-round Christmas Tourney action. Jenny Muller and Ashley McLaughlin are white-hot with Muller shooting a stunning 14 of 17 from the floor and McLaughlin hitting nine of her 12 attempts. Meagan Merinder shines off the bench with eight points.

Greater Lawrence Christmas Tourney Finals

Game 5

Andover 55
North Andover 34

The Golden Warriors capture their fourth straight Christmas Tourney style in convincing fashion. Tourney MVP Jenny Muller tosses in 24 points. Matia Kostakis wreaks havoc in the paint, pulling down 11 rebounds to go with seven steals.

Game 6

Andover 53
Boston Latin 30

Andover aced its Latin exam as 6-1 junior Ashley McLaughlin leads all scorers with 17 points. Muller contributes 15 points.

JANUARY

Game 7

Andover 65
Billerica 36

Another blowout victory for the rolling Golden Warriors. Jenny Muller leads all scorers with 19 points, Ashley McLaughlin chips in with 14 and Merry Fish has five assists and three steals.

Game 8

Andover 62
Lowell 41

The final score might read 62-41, but this is no ordinary 21-point game. The game is deadlocked at 23 at the half and Muller and McLaughlin can't get untracked. The second half is all Andover.

"We started running," explains Golden Warriors coach Jim Tildsley, "and I think its hard for anyone to keep up with us when we're running."

Balanced Andover runs the Red Raiders right off the court behind 14 points apiece from Muller and McLaughlin, a career high 12 points from Merry Fish on four 3-pointers, and a career high nine points from Samantha Hughes.

Game 9

Andover 66
Dracut 33

Andover storms to an 18-1 lead then eases up in the mismatch. Ashley McLaughlin scores 16 points and Meagan Merinder and Merry Fish add 11 each for the Golden Warriors.

Game 10

Andover 43
Haverhill 42

The still unbeaten Golden Warriors have to hold Haverhill to 12 second-half points and make up a seven-point deficit in the final minutes to gain their "Perfect 10" victory. Jackie Powers' jumper with three seconds remaining wins it for Andover.

"A game like this should be good for us. The kids showed a lot of heart and showed we can keep our heads and come through under pressure," says coach Jim Tildsley, foreshadowing future tight Golden Warrior victories.

Ashley McLaughlin fires in a team-high 18 points, Jenny Muller scores 11 points and Matia Kostakis corrals 11 rebounds.

Game 11

Andover 72
Chelmsford 48

Now a perfect 11-0, Andover bounces back from the near upset. Jenny Muller pumps in 26 points, sophomore Jackie Powers adds 11 and Ashley McLaughlin contributes 10.

Game 12

Andover 79
Methuen 44

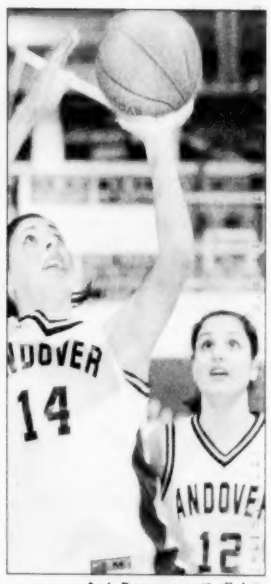
The Rangers want to win badly for their star Meredith Waldie, who has overcome considerable adversity. She scores her 1,000th point but Andover romps to the win. Jenny Muller again steals the show as the senior captain hits for 20 points. Merry Fish erupts for a career high 15.

Andover, which is ranked third in Eastern Mass., is keyed by an eye-popping 19-0 run over a four-minute span late in the first half and early in the second half.

Game 13

Andover 55
Notre Dame 15

Fearing too lopsided a victory, coach Jim Tildsley sits stars Jenny Muller and Ashley McLaughlin. The act of sportsmanship is appreciated, but Andover still runs NDA off the floor. Meagan Merinder steps up to score 12 points and Kerri O'Dea backs her with 10 points.



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Samantha Hughes scores two of her nine points in January win over conference runner-up Lowell. It was one of Andover's three wins over the Red Raiders this winter. Matia Kostakis positions herself for a possible rebound.

Game 14

Andover 80
Methuen 50

For the second time in eight days, Methuen discovers you run with Andover at your own peril. While the Rangers are the first team to crack 50 points against Andover, the Golden Warriors have their running shoes on. Samantha Hughes is immense, erupting for a career-high 21 points. Jenny Muller also sets a career high with 12 assists.

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DIVISION 1 STATE TITLE

ANDOVER'S CHAMPIONS

Stingy defense carries Andover

FEBRUARY

Game 15

Andover 54
Ponaganset (R.I.) 32

Ponaganset, a good but not great team from the Ocean State, can't solve the Andover defense. There aren't too many players in Little Rhody who can play like versatile 6-1 junior Ashley McLaughlin, who has 16 points, nine rebounds, four assists, four steals and three blocked shots.

Jenny Muller adds 11 points and Jackie Powers nine.

Game 16

Central Catholic 53
Andover 50

Andover's 28-game conference win streak comes to an end at an unforgettable Senior Night at Central Catholic. "It's just an unbelievable achievement," enthused Raiders coach Sue Downer, whose club improves to 12-7.

Andover coach Jim Tildsley doesn't have much to say after the setback, the Golden Warriors' second in the conference in the last three seasons. "Our shots just didn't fall."

Ashley McLaughlin (14), Jenny Muller (13) and Samantha Hughes (12) hit double figures for Andover.

Game 17

Andover 60
Haverhill 58 (OT)

If Andover think the Central game was just an aberration, they nearly learn the hard way it might not have been. For the second time this season the Hillies come within an eyelash of toppling Andover.

Meagan Merinder saves the day with two late free throws in overtime. Jenny Muller (who else?) rallies Andover from six points down in the last few minutes of regulation. She finishes with 27 points. Jackie Powers and Ashley McLaughlin also hit key hoops in the extra session.

Game 18

Andover 56
Lowell 43

In another Lowell game where the final score is terribly misleading, Andover clinches sole possession of its fourth straight Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 championship. Andover, which trails 7-0 at the start, gets a huge game from rapidly-improving junior center Matia Kostakis, who scores 14 points and dominates the glass with 14 rebounds.

Jenny Muller tosses in 14 points to go with eight assists and Ashley McLaughlin scores 11 points and pulls down 10 rebounds.

AT&T Broadband Tourney Semifinals

Game 19

Andover 53
Foxboro 46

Foxboro, which will be playing in the Division 3 state championship game, leads 23-19 at the half before Andover mounts one of its patented second-half comebacks. Ashley McLaughlin nails a long 3-pointer and converts a traditional 3-point play to give Andover a two-point lead with 45 seconds remaining.

Matia Kostakis (14 rebounds) and McLaughlin (11 rebounds) combine to own the boards.

AT&T Broadband Tourney Finals

Game 20

Andover 58
Fontbonne 45

One state finalist one night, another the next. Fontbonne, a Division 2 state finalist, boasts a 6-3, 6-0, 5-11 front line but Andover, behind tourney MVP Ashley McLaughlin (16 points, 10 rebounds), is far from intimidated. Jenny Muller pours in 23 points and Matia Kostakis adds 15 rebounds.

Little does Andover know that in its last three games it has knocked off two teams which will be playing Saturday at the Centrum and another which will reach the North finals.

MARCH

STATE TOURNAMENT

Division I North Quarterfinals

Game 21

Andover 62
Central Catholic 43

"It feels great to get revenge after that really bad loss," says Matia Kostakis, referring to the team's lone regular season loss.

Andover coach Jim Tildsley makes it clear, if his club doesn't rebound, a similar fate could await the Golden Warriors. Kostakis certainly takes the message to heart. She outrebounds the entire Central squad by herself! She has 15 by to 11 for the Raiders.

Everybody does their part including Jenny Muller (18), Samantha Hughes (11), Ashley McLaughlin (11) and Kostakis (10), who all score in double figures.

"When we play like that, we're tough to beat," remarks Tildsley.

Division I North Semifinals

Game 22

Andover 53
Lynn Classical 40

Lynn Classical has been averaging a healthy 61.5 points in the state tourney but that isn't going to happen against the Golden Warriors. Using a 1-1-3 zone defense, Andover holds the bewildered Lynners scoreless over a nine-minute stretch in the second half and breaks open a game which was tied at the half.

Matia Kostakis (13 rebounds), Ashley McLaughlin, Meagan Merinder and Samantha Hughes prevents Classical from getting anything accomplished near the basket.

Jenny Muller (17) and McLaughlin (16) combine for 33 points.

Division I North Finals

Game 23

Andover 46
Lowell 32

The third time isn't the charm for Lowell. The third time is the charm for Andover.

For the third time this year, the Raiders throw a scare into Andover, but can't keep up in this all-MVC showdown at Lowell's Tsongas Arena. Andover leads by just one but closes the game with a 16-3 run. It earns Andover a ticket to the FleetCenter after being upset in the North finals the last two years.

Desperate for someone to rise to the occasion, Andover finds its savior in Matia Kostakis. The junior center, who missed her sophomore campaign with a knee injury, continues her ascension to stardom with 16 points and a stunning 18 rebounds.

Ashley McLaughlin and Jenny Muller, her partners in the 3M Company (McLaughlin, Muller, Matia), add 12 points apiece. McLaughlin holds high-scoring Red Raider Kayleigh Scannell to just four points.

"They're as good a defensive team as I've seen in the state," says Lowell coach Mike Crowley.

As for the "can't win the big one" tag, Andover kills that once and for all by hitting 16 of 18 from the free throw line in the second half.

Division I Eastern Mass. Finals

Game 24

Andover 52
Newton North 44

Merry Fish says she doesn't like big crowds. You'd never know it as she swishes four second-half 3-pointers in front of 3,000 fans at the FleetCenter.

Cool in the clutch, Andover scores the final 11 points of the game to rally for the sweet victory.

Samantha Hughes, battling illness, scores all five of her points in the second half and hauls in a team-high eight rebounds. The win is especially sweet for Hughes, one of several Golden Warriors who play on the soccer team which has had little postseason success against Newton North over the years.

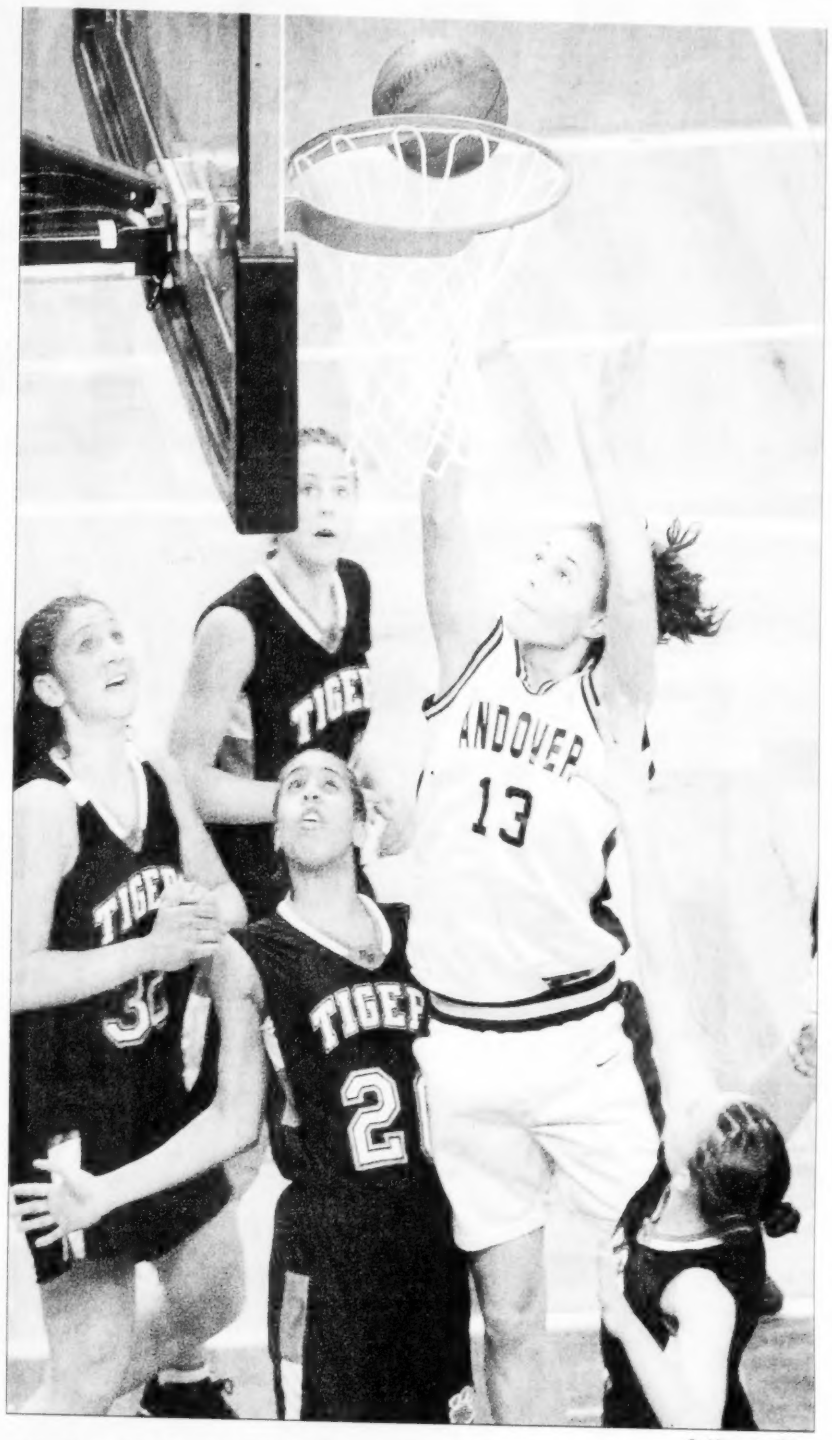
Jenny Muller fires in a game-high 19 points including a back-breaking 3-pointer behind a devastating Matia Kostakis pick with 1:23 left. Muller also shreds the Tigers' press. Ashley McLaughlin held Newton North's Sara Rabinovitch to eight points, 12 shy of her tourney average coming in.

Division I Finals

Game 25

Andover 48
Minnechaug Regional 47

With most people, including Minnechaug Regional, focusing on Andover's two stars, Jenny Muller and Ashley McLaughlin, they forgot about Samantha Hughes. Hughes grabbed the rebound of a missed shot by Muller, put it back up with 0.9 seconds remaining. She not only made the hoop, but she was fouled. She made the foul shot to clinch the 48-47 win. It capped a thrilling four minutes of action in which both teams had control of the game. In the end, with Hughes' clutch performance, the Andover girls made history.



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Andover's star 6-1 junior Ashley McLaughlin soars over three Newton North defenders for the basket in the Eastern Mass. finals at the FleetCenter.

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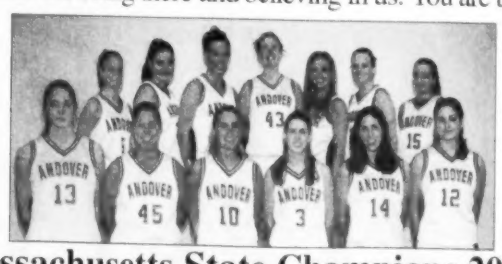

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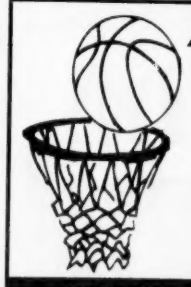

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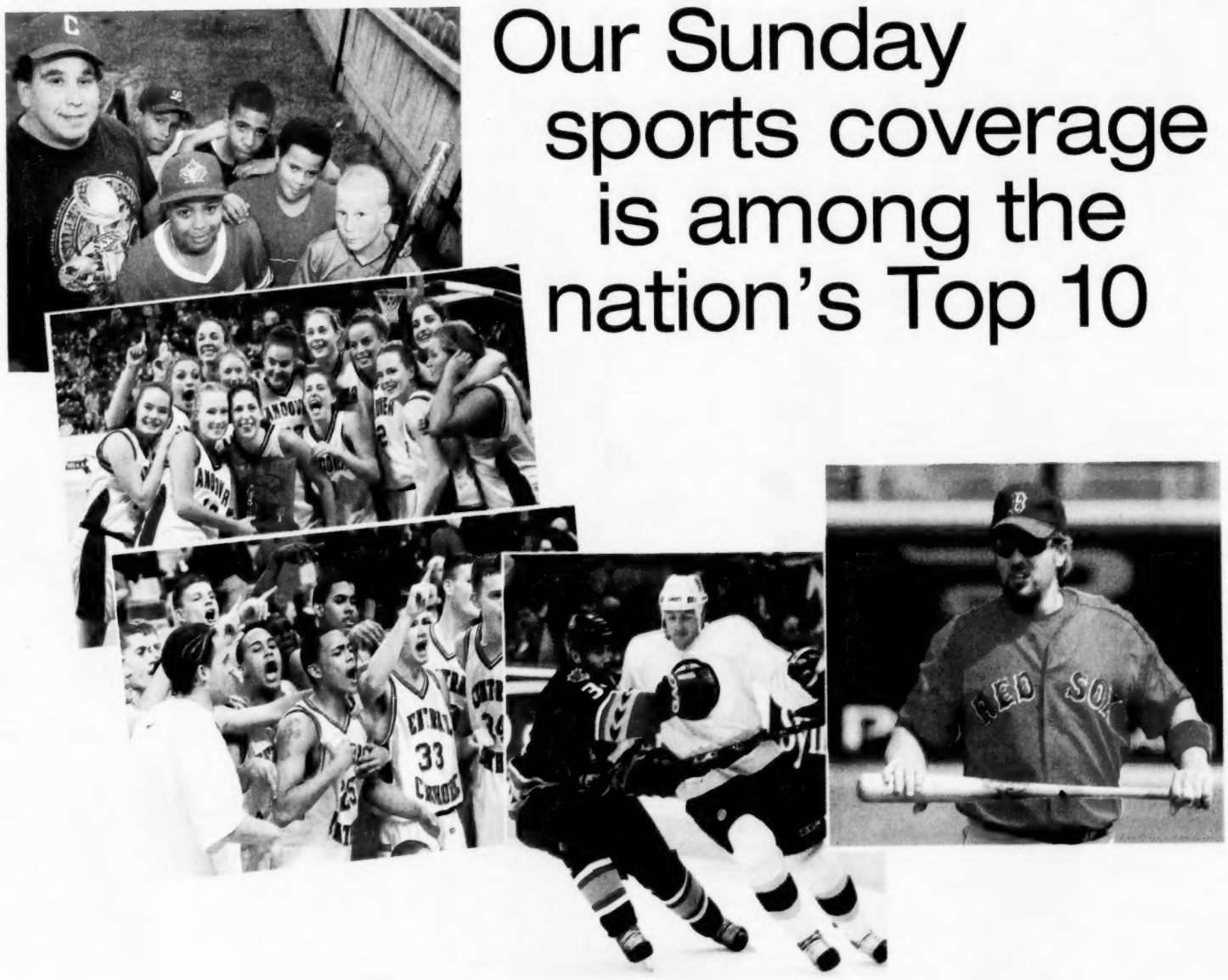

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Five vie for two school posts

In tough year, town votes Tuesday to elect two to lead schools

By Andrea Gregory

It's time for the residents of Andover to decide who should be holding office in town.

Though the only contested race is for School Committee, that race will be a tight one with five candidates fighting for two slots.

The polls will open at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25. Voters must make it to the Andover High School Field House, off Shawsheen Road ,by 8 p.m. to cast their votes for candidates for moderator, selectmen, School Committee, Andover Housing Authority, Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical School District Committee and Punchard Free School Trustees.

Parking will be available in the lot behind the building. A shuttle bus, starting at 8 a.m., will run every 40 minutes from the Andover Senior Center to Andover High School making stops at Town Offices, Railroad Street and Frye Circle.

While the School Committee has five candidates vying for two slots, the selectmen's race is uncontested, with no one running against the two incumbents.

Brian Major and Ted Teichert have decided to stay as selectmen

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Ryan Edison eats lunch in Andover's Next Generation Day Care. Workers there are careful not to introduce peanuts into the environment because of some students' severe allergies.

Fear of peanuts

New drug offers hope for those with severe allergies

By Ben Hellman

In an age of terrorist warnings and anthrax scares, no one gives much thought to the dangers posed by a peanut-butter sandwich.

For Ryan Edison, a 3-year-old at Next Generation day care on South Main Street, the danger is all too real. Just the smell of peanuts could be enough to send him into a life-threatening allergic reaction.

So, the news of TNX-901, a drug in clinical trials that helps block the allergic response to peanuts, brings hope to many in Andover such as Ryan who have serious peanut allergies.

Andover public schools head nurse Barbara Whiteside knows of 97 students with peanut allergies in the schools. Whiteside reported 73 in 2001. "These are just the kids we know about," says Whiteside.

There are nut-free tables at all of the schools in town and if a student has an allergy to peanuts letters are sent home to ask parents not to send their kids to school with peanut foods. Whiteside says she has definitely seen an increase in students suffering from the allergy.

That's why TNX-901, which could be three or four years from reaching the market, is nevertheless receiving attention.

Dana Edison, Ryan's mom, says she never thought her son would be able to go to a Red Sox game or go to a normal school. Things that other people take for granted, she worries about.

"Just taking Ryan to the grocery store, I'll wipe down the cart completely," she says.

Others also take special care because of the growing number of people with peanut allergies.

In response to Ryan's allergy, Next Generation has literally become a "peanut-free zone," says Karen Thorp-Dussourd, assistant director.

Next Generation provides lunch, so it is able to

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ATTACHED TO A HOME

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

If Martha Wright were to move from the unit she lives – a unit attached to her son's home – her son would have to tear down the unit, or at least its kitchen. A Town Meeting article could change that.

If mom moves, can her son's home stay?

By Andrea Gregory

Harold Wright built his house on Greenwood Road in 1974. Five years later, he added an apartment for his mother to move into, attached to the back of the garage.

Now, if for any reason his mother stops living there, not only would Wright not be allowed to have anyone else move into the space, but he would be required to dismantle the kitchen – or even his entire apartment.

But a Town Meeting warrant article could change all that.

Andover currently requires accessory dwelling units, such as Wright's, be built for the sole purpose of housing a family member related by birth or marriage to the person living in the main house. The family member must have an illness or disability that requires extended care. Wright had to produce documentation from his mother's doctor and go through both the town zoning and planning boards to create the addition his mother now calls home.

A Town Meeting warrant article submitted by the Planning Board and Andover Housing Partnership Committee could change the necessary credentials for these units to be built and allow them to be left intact once the person they were built for no longer lives

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Varied reactions on war

By Judy Wakefield

Andover residents have a variety of reactions to President Bush's decision to go to war with Iraq, but most are thinking about the people serving on the front lines.

Dozens of town residents and employees are serving in the military or could be called to active duty. The police department has more than a half dozen people in the reserves who can be called, and 15 Andover families have blue stars on their windows indicating they have immediate family members on active duty.

Andover veteran Tom Haugh, who served in World War II, summed up the feelings of many around town.

"Who wants war?" he asked. "It's the matter of there is nothing you can do about it."

For him, this week's war announcement stirred up emotions. Haugh shared some horrific experiences in a documentary about the war experiences of nine local veterans that was

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Keno not cut off

By Andrea Gregory

Keno's number isn't up in Andover.

By a 3-2 vote, selectmen on Monday determined they will not attempt to block the Chateau Restaurant – the establishment moving into the Grill 93's location on River Road – from obtaining a Keno license.

Mary Lyman, Ray Hender and Ted Teichert voted to recommend the state grant the license, while Brian Major and John Hess voted not to recommend the license.

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NO VOTE

School leaders can't agree on budget

By Ben Hellman

Disagreement over a budget vote brought the School Committee to a standstill this week.

In a series of motions and counter motions that Chairwoman Tina Girdwood later joked could be explained only by the full moon, the committee debated three different courses of action. None were agreed upon.

The only consensus reached was that they table the debate until the next meeting. Member Dick Collins' absence, due to the flu, might have changed the outcome, but his presence would not have altered the philosophical differences that divide the current board.

Member Gerry Gustus contends that the schools should receive $1.5 million more than the $46.7 million recommended by the superintendent. Gustus said it is not his job as a School Committee member to say specifically where this money should come from. Teachers applauded Gustus' comments supporting more money for education. Gustus said the money should come from other town departments and that it is the selectmen and Finance Committee's job to decide where adjustments should be made. Gustus motioned to approve $48.2 million for the schools.

No one seconded his motion.

Member Christopher Smith said cuts should be made to the budget – specifically in technology – but that the superintendent's budget should first be approved as a document to make those changes. Smith said he did not support asking other town departments to make cuts. He motioned to approve the superintendent's recommended amount of $46.7 million.

No one seconded his motion.

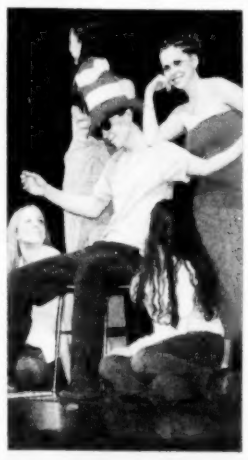
Girdwood said she would like to approve more money, but that the School Committee should first "do its homework" and say where the money should come from. She suggested road projects from the capital improvement plan as a place to move funds.

Girdwood further called Gustus' $1.5 million "a little over the top" and suggested that $1 million was more realistic in its chances of being supported by the town's other boards.

As chairwoman, Girdwood can't make a motion or second a motion. Member Skip Eccles motioned that the board approve $47.7 million. No one seconded.

If there was no formal action, there was no lack of debate. Both Gustus and Girdwood repeated their positions, but no member could support them.

Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden said it was clear that some people believe the schools aren't getting enough money, but said she has to look at the big picture. "It all has to add up," she said.



There he is, Mr. AHS

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Principals knew furlough tie

Last week, the *Townsman* reported that some officials, such as Selectman Ray Hender and School Committee member Christopher Smith were not aware that School Superintendent Claudia Bach's furlough idea for school employees was tied in her mind to town departments conducting a similar furlough until after the idea was withdrawn. But Andover principals say they always knew that was the plan.

The furlough would have had school employees neither work nor be paid for two days. These would have been days when students were not scheduled to attend school, but employees were scheduled to work.

Floyd McManus, Doherty Middle School principal, called the *Townsman* last week to say that before the budget was formed, Bach said in a meeting with all principals she would not support the furlough unless town employees agreed to one too. Principals Norah McCarthy, of Wood Hill Middle, and Eileen Woods, of South Elementary, also said Bach always explained the idea to principals in this context.

POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, March 12 – At 8:13 a.m., Christopher Bussey, 36, of 40 Chase St., Newton, was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with a subsequent driving with a suspended license and subsequent offense, driving an uninsured motor vehicle, driving an unregistered motor vehicle. He was also charged on a warrant for an inspection-sticker violation, number-plate violation, driving an uninsured motor vehicle, and driving an unregistered motor vehicle

At 2:16 p.m., two Andover boys, 12- and 13-years-old were arrested at the Wood Hill Middle School and charged with defacing property, possession of a BB gun or air rifle by a minor, disturbing a school assembly and disturbing the peace.

At 3:51 p.m., Leo Mayo, 27, of 54 Glenmore St., Lowell, was arrested on warrant charges at 800 Federal St.

Friday, March 14 – At 4:29 p.m., Omar Millet, 24, of 18 Graichen Terrace, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with possession of a class A and class B substance.

Saturday, March 15 – At 12:01 a.m., John Bysiewicz, 18, of 51 Crocker Road, Medford, was arrested on Dascomb Road for speeding and driving under the influence. He refused a breathalizer.

At 3:38 p.m., Kevin Oulette, 21, of 38 Maplewood Ave., Methuen, was arrested on an Amesbury warrant and charged with disturbing the peace. George Vouthourelis, 18, of 11 Maplewood Ave., Methuen, was arrested and charged with possession of a class D substance and possession of a stun gun. Both were arrested on River Road.

Monday, March 17 – At 8:02 p.m., William Coleman, Jr., 46, was arrested at the police station and charged on a warrant on three counts of larceny by check.

Tuesday, March 18 – At 10:45 a.m., Renato Depaula, 35, of 3 Franklin St., Framingham, was arrested on South Main Street, and charged with assault, disorderly conduct, driving with a suspended license, driving with a revoked registration, and driving an uninsured motor vehicle.

THEFTS

Wednesday, March 12 – At 6:58 p.m., a Phillips Academy student reported his red and orange stunt bike was stolen and that someone at CVS knew who stole it. The person at CVS said the bike was stolen from the person who originally stole it and that the person had no idea who had it now.

Friday, March 14 – At 8:18 a.m., a Mobile gas attendant reported that a gold Cadillac drove off without paying for $28.98 in gasoline.

Monday, March 17 – At 3:04 a.m. a high-school custodian reported that someone had taken his wallet earlier in the afternoon.

At 9:41 a.m., Neighbors in Need reported food stolen from its warehouse.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 12 – At 10:10 a.m., a female employee at The Music Playground received a threatening phone call. A man told her he had a shotgun and she should take the call very seriously. She "star sixty-nined" the call and got his phone number. He called again, making the same threat to another female employee.

Thursday, March 13 – At 5:01 a.m., a Canterbury Street resident reported that her nine-week-old son was not breathing. Andover police and fire responded, but the infant was reported to have died at Lawrence General Hospital.

Friday, March 14 – At 4 a.m., a Memorial Circle resident reported waking up to find the keys to her Honda Civic and her 14-year-old son both missing.

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IN BRIEF

Presidential move: Feds to help town plow out from under snow costs

By Andrea Gregory

The Presidents Day snowstorm could have added more weight to Andover's budget problems, but federal assistance will help plow away 75 percent of that storm's snow-removal cost.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is officially calling the holiday snowstorm a disaster in 14 of the state's counties where record or near-record snowfall accumulations were reached. On March 11, President George Bush approved Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney's request for federal assistance to help many state communities deal with the cost of the storm.

"I think it's great," says Jack Petkus, Andover public works director. "It couldn't come at a better time."

Now, to determine exact refunds, communities like Andover are calculating the amount spent for plowing, salting, sanding and personnel overtime involved in clearing the roads on Feb. 17 and 18.

"Right now we're looking at $184,000," Petkus says about the amount the Presidents Day storm cost Andover. That figure is an estimate, as workers are still looking over all the bills, he says.

Andover has already surpassed the $1,107,000 it budgeted this year to handle snow.

"We're way over," Petkus says. "Probably close to $400,000 over."

According to Petkus, the federal money will reduce the amount Andover is over, but he's not expecting it put Andover's snow budget back in the black. "I hope (Romney) is successful in getting more of the aid he's asking for, for additional storms," Petkus says.

Petkus says last year's snow-removal budget returned $300,000 into Andover's free cash account. He hopes the federal funds will help Andover remain around $300,000 over-budget this fiscal year, creating a "wash" between the two years' snow-removal costs. The current fiscal year ends June 30.

Quote, unquote . . .

SHE TALKED ABOUT IT and I was just listening...and, then a realtor was walking through my house. That's when I knew she was serious.

– *Jon Leslie, on learning his wife, Mary-Pierce "MP" Powell, really wanted them to take a trip around the world.* **(Story, page 9)**

PAST AND PRESENT

OLDER PHOTO COURTESY OF ANDOVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY. MODERN-DAY PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Top: Elm Square, the center of Andover, around 1946, when the streets had cobblestones but no traffic lights. Below: Elm Square today, with more cars, fewer bicycles.

Keep off the grass

Due to wet conditions, Andover has closed all school and town athletic fields until further notice.

"Use for sports league practice and games as well as use by the general public is prohibited due to excessively wet conditions that could damage field surfaces. Signs will be posted at field sites indicating each field's status during the coming weeks," said the town in a release.

Randy Pickersgill, superintendent of parks and grounds, will review field sites on a weekly basis to determine if conditions have improved enough to support play on the turf surface. For information on field status or to report suspicious activities on town and school fields contact Pickersgill at 978-623-8282, or Lisa Wilson, the facilities coordinator, at 978-623-8450.

No Friday nights at Memorial Hall Library

Starting April 4, Memorial Hall Library will close at 5 p.m. on Fridays. The weekly schedule of hours open will be

Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

Senate breakfast

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce will host its senate breakfast, featuring the area's state senators, tomorrow, Friday, March 21 from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. at the Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St.

The cost is $18 for Merrimack Valley Chamber members and $25 for others who want to attend.

Health clinics

The Andover Health Department will have a mini-clinic on Monday, March 24 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle.

News Calendar

Thursday, March 20

Senior Center Task Force, Town Offices, second floor, 1 p.m.

Andover Housing Authority, 100 Morton St., 7 p.m.

Friday, March 21

West Elementary School Council, conference room, 8:30 a.m.

Monday, March 24

Selectmen, Finance Committee, Town Offices, third floor, 7 p.m.

Senior Center Task Force, Senior Center, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 25

Board of Assessors, Town Offices, assessor's conference room, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 26

Selectmen, Finance Committee, Town Offices, [illegible]

Thursday, March 27

Board of Assessors, Town Offices, assessor's conference room, [illegible]

Senior Center Task Force, Town Offices, second floor, 1 p.m.

Disabilities Commission, Memorial Hall Library, [illegible]

Monday, March 31

Selectmen, Town Offices, second floor, [illegible]

Tuesday, April 1

Board of Assessors, Town Offices, assessor's conference room, [illegible]

Lawn care without pesticides

Homeowners can learn how to achieve green and healthy lawns and gardens without using pesticides during a free public forum at Andover's Memorial Hall Library on Saturday, March 29 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Called "Healthy Lawns and Landscapes," the event will feature David Walsh, owner of The Organic Lawn Company, who will provide practical advice on how to grow healthy lawns and gardens organically, without using pesticides and chemical fertilizers and using less water than conventional lawn care methods. In addition, League of Women Voters member Amy Jamieson will talk briefly about the potential environmental and health risks associated with pesticide use. Several free handouts on lawn care and resources will be provided.

The forum is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Andover North, Andover and the Andover water and health departments.

Cholesterol screening

The Andover Board of Health will hold a cholesterol screening clinic from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, March 26 for Andover residents only. The test involves a simple finger stick test and costs $5. For an appointment, call the Board of Health at 978-623-8295.

Finegold office hours

Andover State Rep. Barry R. Finegold and staff will be holding office hours on Tuesday, March 25 in Andover at the Andover Senior Center from 10 to 11 a.m. and at Memorial Hall Library from 6 to 7 p.m. He has a new Statehouse phone number: 617-722-2263.

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FIVE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CANDIDATES

Selectmen

■ ELECTION

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for another term. They were each asked to reflect on accomplishments they feel responsible for as selectmen.

Major says his biggest contribution has been "my work on the budget and analyzing the budget."

He says he publicly opposed the override last year and it didn't bother him to be the only selectman to do so. He says it's important, also, for the town not to deplete its reserve accounts.

Major says a big personal accomplishment as a selectman was the completion of the Andover Skate Park. He says he worked with the youth and walked them through the governmental process to make it happen.

"They kept getting kicked out of places. They kept asking, can we get a skate park? Where can we skateboard?" Major says.

Half the money was raised privately, and was matched with public funds. "That's a real proud accomplishment that I feel," Major says.

Asked about his personal accomplishments as a selectman during his three years, Ted Teichert did not name a particular project or achievement.

"You have to work together. The town is one," says Teichert. He says he's been a team member of town government, working to support the needs of Andover. He did mention the safety center, youth center and senior center, none of which have been completed. The safety center is more than one year behind schedule, the youth center will be built if a private group can raise the money, and an article seeking funds to design a senior center was pulled from the Town Meeting warrant.

"Some of these projects get pushed aside year after year," says Teichert, and supporting them brings attention to these projects so they will eventually be completed.

Teichert says he's enjoyed his time as a selectman and "found out the town is very complex."

"I wish every resident in the community could go through the process of being a selectman," he says. "You learn a lot."

Also on the ballot

Town Moderator James Doherty in running for reelection. No one is running against him.

Five School Committee candidates are competing for two open slots. Gerald Gustus is running for reelection. Arthur Barber, Anthony James, John Roberts and Louis Velazquez are also campaigning to hold one of these three year positions.

Kenneth Hamilton is the only candidate for a three-year term at the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational Technical School District.

Paul Higginbottom is the only candidate running for a five-year term with the Andover Housing Authority.

Trustee of Punchard Free School has five openings and five candidates.

Earl Efinger, Donna Ellsworth, John Petty and Eric Stubenhaus are running for reelection. Helen Watkinson is also running for one of these three-year positions.

Arthur H. Barber

3 Sparta Way
52 years old
Small business owner
Family: Wife, Connie, South School kindergarten teacher
Daughters Lauren, Andover High School junior, and Leslie, Andover High School freshman
Civic involvement: Current member of Senior Center Task Force; current member of Ballardvale-Lowell Junction Traffic Task Force; soccer coach over five years, current assistant coach U-18 girls

Name one original idea you have that will improve Andover1s education and/or save taxpayers money. (To be fair to all candidates, please limit your response to no more than 100 words. As stated, we will edit down all responses longer than that.)

We should consider creating a position to seek grant and foundation monies which could fund programs currently in danger (or allow us to maintain some of our existing programs). This individual could also seek out and develop relationships with various businesses in the area. Additional key competencies include expertise in locating foundation and grant money, the nuances in writing a proposal and know how to successfully administer the funds. Successful implementation would ultimately lead to the position being self-funding and the efforts could be shared with the town as well. Part-time efforts are not enough.

What item currently on the cutting block do you want to remain in the budget? Is there a trade-off or other change you would make to do this? (Please limit your responses to 50 words.)

I want to prevent the layoff of as many teachers as possible. Careful scrutiny and reviewing of the budget could reveal additional areas where funds could be found. Reviewing transportation costs of over $200/day to Minuteman, streamlining the athletic director's office, combining systems administration with the town could help.

Do you see anything that can be done to improve special education in town or to lower its growing cost? (50 words)

If elected, I will establish a Special Education Task Force to review all aspects of the program, including program administration, admission, in-town versus out-of-town placements, budget, etc. I would include local experts in special education, parents with special needs children, parents without special needs children and educators.

Do you support the superintendent's plan for technology spending next year? Explain. (50 words)

The school administration should consider all options for maximizing our dollars in the budget. Every opportunity to partner with other town departments should be investigated. This is particularly important with technology. Leasing may also work. Technology issues as they relate to students must continue to be measurable and educationally sound.

Personal: If someone wanted to really annoy you, which "reality TV" show would they make you watch? (25 words)

Tough question. People who know me think that *Married by America* followed by the *Bachelor* would annoy me.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The five candidates for School Committee squared off last Thursday in a lively debate sponsored by the League of Women Voters. The candidates on this page and next are Arthur Barber, Gerry Gustus and Anthony James (all three in above photo)...

Anthony (Tony) James

15 Wethersfield Drive.
61 years old
Occupation: retired business executive/chemical engineer.
Family: Wife, Connie; two sons, Greg in the eighth grade and Chris in the tenth grade.
Civic involvement: Service Club of Andover; Doherty Middle School Council; Andover High School Council; former soccer coach; Dana Farber One to One Cancer Connection; Winchester Hospital Physicians Best Practices Study

Questions:

Name one original idea you have that will improve Andover's education and/or save taxpayers money. (To be fair to all candidates, please limit your response to no more than 100 words. As stated, we will edit down all responses longer than that.)

I believe that the time has come for our community to launch an education foundation with a goal of raising at least $250,000 per year. Many public school districts have been successful in establishing such charitable organizations by appealing to alumni, businesses, private foundations and concerned citizens for funding. Proceeds are used to fund innovative programs in literacy, music, science/ technology, and provide scholarships for students and teachers. Given the current economic climate, this idea benefits not only students but also the whole community by providing a valuable source of funding for enhancing the quality of education in our schools.

What item currently on the cutting block do you want to remain in the budget? Is there a trade-off or other change you would make to do this? (Please limit your responses to 50 words.)

My major concern for next year is that three-fourths of our high-school students will take less than 7.5 course credits. It is imperative that we bring together all of the stakeholders to work urgently and creatively to fix this problem. I am eager to participate in this process.

Do you see anything that can be done to improve special education in town or to lower its growing cost? (50 words)

We need to accelerate efforts to provide more in-district special education tuition programs. We must acknowledge that advances in medical science and early detection of special needs will result in continuing, substantial increases in the demand and funding for SPED. New ways for obtaining this funding must be explored.

Do you support the superintendent's plan for technology spending next year? Explain. (50 words)

Clearly, technology/computer literacy will be a prerequisite for every student entering the workplace. The issue, however, is when and how to teach those skills. In order to evaluate the technology spending plan, the educational value needs to be articulated to help all of us reach an informed decision.

Personal: If someone wanted to really annoy you, which "reality TV" show would they make you watch? (25 words)

This is easy –any one of them! If they wanted to make me crazy, they could force me to watch two!

LWV debate brings out School Committee candidates' differences

By Ben Hellman

With the schools facing the tightest budget year in almost a decade, money matters ruled the League of Women Voters debate last Thursday. Most of the candidates suggested new ideas to raise money or suggested programs they thought could be cut.

Almost all of the candidates had suggestions to find funds or curb costs. Tony James suggested starting an education foundation to raise money and help fund the schools. Art Barber suggested creating a position to apply for and manage grant money. John Roberts suggested renting the schools to colleges at night. Louis Velazquez repeated a call to build an in-house special education program and charge students from other towns to attend.

Incumbent candidate Gerry Gustus said he supported Superintendent Claudia Bach's plan to charge bus fees.

Candidate and businessman Roberts said the

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Short-answer questions	Art Barber	Gerry Gustus	Anthony James	John Roberts	Louis Velazquez
Should the schools receive more money than the superintendent1s preliminary budget asked for?	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO
The School Committee and superintendent should work together as:	Board of Directors/CEO	Board of Directors/CEO	Board of Directors/CEO	Board of Directors/CEO	Board of Directors/CEO
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... and John Roberts and Louis Velazquez. The candidates answered 21 questions, most from audience members, creating one of the most informative debates in recent memory.

Lively League of Women voters debate for school candidates

■ DEBATE

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School Committee needed business skills to keep the schools running.

"The current School Committee has done a good job at operating in a growth environment. However now, a different set of skills is necessary in the future murky waters," said Roberts.

Barber also stressed his business skills, saying he wouldn't be in business if he couldn't plan and stick to a budget. Barber and Roberts both own their businesses. Velazquez, a psychiatrist, stressed himself as a social and fiscal conservative and said that electing a conservative would bring diversity to the board.

Comments made about special education funding started an exchange of angry words. Several candidates said they would petition the state to pay its share of its mandated costs. Velazquez said he would make sure the town wasn't footing bills that state agencies should cover.

"The vein is throbbing in my forehead a bit," said Gustus. He went on to defend Andover's special education spending and the School Committee's efforts to get the state to reimburse Andover for its SPED costs.

But the disagreements didn't stop there. Gustus went after Velazquez when Velazquez altered his response to a question regarding programs for gifted students.

The candidates were asked if there were enough programs for gifted children in Andover. Velazquez started by saying he wasn't sure. He went on to say there probably wasn't enough for gifted students in Andover.

Gustus took issue, saying Velazquez should either have an idea or refrain from saying "probably not."

Velazquez took time in his next response to ask Gustus to say where in the budget gifted students received as much money as special education students. Gustus replied that if the schools were given another $12 million, he would devote that money to the gifted.

Velazquez has suggested controversial changes to the SPED program during his campaign. Gustus, a parent of a special education student, disagreed last week with Velazquez' call to decrease inclusion and to create special-education classrooms.

The schools' technology spending was harped upon by several of the candidates. Roberts said that art, music, health and physical education shouldn't be sacrificed to technology spending. Velazquez said technology was an area to look at for cutting. Incumbent candidate Gustus remarked that technology hadn't suffered as other programs. "Technology seemingly escaped being cut," he said.

It was a grueling task for the candidates, who sat for over two hours and responded to 21 questions. The candidates were given some questions by the League of Women Voters, who hosted the debate, in advance of the debate. But the majority of the questions were taken from the audience.

Selectman Brian Major, who runs unopposed this month to keep his seat, said he had never seen so much information covered at a debate. "They all deserve a huge star on their chests," he said.

Resident Mike Papa agreed, saying the audience "really grilled" the candidates.

The polls will open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25 at the Andover High School Field House off Shawsheen Road.

Gerry Gustus

5 Fern Road
47 years old
Sales, Arrow Electronics CMG
Family: Married to Mary Jo, two children, James, 9 and Sarah, 7
Civic involvement: Member, Andover School Committee; host parent, Andover "A Better Chance" program; coach, Andover Soccer Association; coach-to-be (I hope) Andover Girls Softball League; religious education teacher, St Augustine's Church; member, Andover Youth Foundation; member, SC liaison, Andover SEPAC; former member, current SC liaison, Andover Fund for Education

Questions:

Name one original idea you have that will improve Andover's education and/or save taxpayers money. (To be fair to all candidates, please limit your response to no more than 100 words. As stated, we will edit down all responses longer than that.)

Combining our elementary school media centers and our technology initiative, and creating, school by school, technology centers. I have proposed that we locate our computer equipment in our media centers and look at combining the resources currently allocated to each within the school budget. This will also free up space in the schools themselves, to perhaps be used as space where programs can be created to either bring back, or at least prevent the further leaving, of moderate needs Special Education students who would otherwise be outplaced.

What item currently on the cutting block do you want to remain in the budget? Is there a trade-off or other change you would make to do this? (Please limit your responses to 50 words.)

The eradication of our health program in the elementaries, and the halving of our elementary physical- education program, including the Adaptive PE offered to our general education students. We will lose 13 of our finest teachers from these programs. I would trade off within the Townside budget to save them.

Do you see anything that can be done to improve special education in town or to lower its growing cost? (50 words)

Thanks to Pupil Personnel Director Susan O'Brien, delivery of special education services in Andover has never been better. She is innovative, caring and knowledgable. Our SPED budget is the single most studied, and least understood, budget in town. I would need another 2,000 words to help you to understand.

Do you support the superintendent's plan for technology spending next year? Explain. (50 words)

No, but it was presented to the School Committee as a collaborative decision of her entire budget team, and as one of the other candidates will learn, when that happens, it is not the School Committee's role to overwrite the recommendation. You have to let the leaders lead.

Personal: If someone wanted to really annoy you, which "reality TV" show would they make you watch? (25 words)

The Andover selectmen's meetings. No, I'm kidding. I truly do not watch any "reality TV" though I've noticed that the *Survivor* commercials are annoying enough.

Louis A. Velazquez

12 Bridle Path Road
41 years old
Occupation: physician specializing in child and adolescent psychiatry
Family: Three generation family in one home: wife, daughter, son, my elderly parents, and Oboe (our hyperactive Weimaraner)
Civic involvement: Board member of the American Red Cross, United Valley Chapter in Auburn, Maine 1997-2000; Andover Republican Town Committee, current

Questions:

Name one original idea you have that will improve Andover's education and/or save taxpayers money. (To be fair to all candidates, please limit your response to no more than 100 words. As stated, we will edit down all responses longer than that.)

Universities in large cities advertise their cities as extended classrooms. Senior year in high school would become a much more fulfilling experience for some students if they had an off-campus option. Beyond AP courses, some students could attain college courses that count toward high school and/or college credits for graduation. Such options would lessen the high school's financial and classroom space burden, as they would be self-pay and take students to various parts of the region. There may be students who would want to do a semester of language study abroad, environmental studies in the field, etc.

What item currently on the cutting block do you want to remain in the budget? Is there a trade-off or other change you would make to do this? (Please limit your responses to 50 words.)

I would like to see the high school offer as many credits as students could responsibly handle throughout the four years. High school is the homestretch before entering a highly competitive world; it will prepare students to succeed in college. This could be funded through the aforementioned extra-mural program.

Do you see anything that can be done to improve special education in town or to lower its growing cost? (50 words)

Fifty words is utterly impossible to answer such a complicated question. In short, Special Education addresses medical, psychiatric, educational and social problems. Federal and state mandates to educate every child are largely unfunded. We should begin a statewide initiative to redefine the responsibilities of town, state, and federal governments.

Do you support the superintendent's plan for technology spending next year? Explain. (50 words)

No, I do not. Especially in elementary school, as there is no substitute for rote memorization and repetition. I question the time-efficiency of technology at a young age. The computer literacy that will be necessary for the technological future should be categorized under mathematics and taught at higher grades.

Personal: If someone wanted to really annoy you, which "reality TV" show would they make you watch? (25 words)

I have never watched a reality show, but if someone really wanted to torture me, they could make me watch Phil Donahue interviewing Jane Fonda.

John R. Roberts

8 Spring Grove Road
53 years old
Commercial Real Estate Developer
Family: wife, Chris; sons, Eddie (18) and Steven (17)
Civic Involvement: President Andover Special Education PAC; Andover Vision 21 Committee; Andover Townwide PTO; Little League Coach/ Challenger Baseball coach; basketball coach; on the boards of several non-profits

Questions:

Name one original idea you have that will improve Andover's education and/or save taxpayers money. (To be fair to all candidates, please limit your response to no more than 100 words. As stated, we will edit down all responses longer than that.)

While few ideas are truly original, I believe the concept of marketing our excellent school facilities to educational uses warrants a thorough review. Our location and highly motivated residents would be attractive to many institutions of higher learning not already represented nearby. They would establish continuing education and extension courses for fees, and pay us rent for the privilege. An added benefit could be structured into the arrangement to offer credit courses to our high-school students, thereby improving their chances at selective colleges. Income generated by this activity would add dollars to the budget and help restore teacher layoffs.

What item currently on the cutting block do you want to remain in the budget? Is there a trade-off or other change you would make to do this? (Please limit your responses to 50 words.)

I'd restore the high-school teachers needed for all students to achieve 7.5 credits annually. We are penalizing our high-school students far more seriously than we've cut services at other levels. I'd reduce the technology teachers budget in half, assigning .5 FTE at each school instead of the proposed 1.0

Do you see anything that can be done to improve special education in town or to lower its growing cost? (50 words)

Special education can be improved and lower its growing cost by developing new programs to retain current students. We must invest now to develop programs or we'll continue to lose students to out-of-district placements. Developing appropriate local programs also will help return students in out-of-district placements.

Do you support the superintendent's plan for technology spending next year? Explain. (50 words)

As currently proposed, I do not support the superintendent's plan. I have stated many times that we can use those dollars more effectively to restore teachers to our high-school classrooms. I would ask the School Committee to stipulate in their budget recommendation that this be adjusted.

Personal: If someone wanted to really annoy you, which "reality TV" show would they make you watch? (25 words)

Any of them, but what does this have to do with School Committee?

Town Meeting coming

The Annual Town Meeting starts at 7 p.m. on April 28 and 29 at the Andover High School Field House, Shawsheen Road. The voter check-in tables will be in the lobby entrance of the school. On May 5 and 6 the meeting will reconvene, if necessary, at the Collins Center, Andover High School, Shawsheen Road. The voter check-in tables will be in the lobby of the Collins Center.

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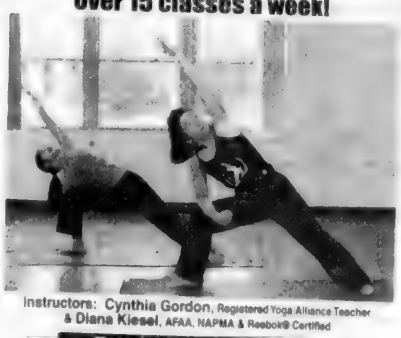

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Opinion

For schools, John Roberts

On Tuesday, voters will elect two of five School Committee members – 40 percent of the next board.

Residents should cast one of their two votes for candidate John Roberts.

Throughout the campaign, Roberts has been willing to clearly state his views. He is a man who has shown himself able to take an informed stand, regardless of its popularity. But he will insist on being informed before rushing to judgment.

As a businessman, Roberts has the ability to create and analyze a budget that will best use and reallocate limited resources. He also will be able to enter contract negotiations with experience in the process. This is a crucial skill considering the majority of the annual school budget is determined by the salary and benefits awarded employees in their contracts.

As president of the Andover special education PAC, Roberts has an in-depth knowledge of one of the most important and difficult issues facing the schools – how to teach special-education students in both an educationally and fiscally sound manner.

Too often in recent years, the school and town budget exercise has lacked consideration of how decisions would affect future years. Officials seemed to solve problems short-term with the hope that large increases could be continually sustained. That approach contributed to the budget problems currently facing the schools. As a member of the Vision 21 Committee, a group looking at what Andover should look like 50 years from now, Roberts has shown he is forward-thinking, with an eye beyond tomorrow. His Vision 21 leadership role also shows he is someone who considers all of the town's needs, not just the needs of one department or one constituency.

Tuesday's election does not have another contested race, other than the School Committee race. But the School Committee vote is one the whole town should be a part of. Tuesday's vote will create a committee that will shape how much will be spent on the schools in the next few years, and what programs will be given priority during tough economic times. It will sign new contracts for school employees, including teachers and Andover's superintendent.

The five candidates for School Committee this year represent one of the most talented pools voters have had to choose from in some time. Each offers different opinions on important issues, including school spending and spending priorities.

With his business, civic and personal background, Roberts is the complete package Andover will need in the difficult budget years ahead.

Web question

Would you do a trip around world?

Last week's *Townsman* Web-site question was:

Students in grades 7-12 might not get a free ride next school year if plans to charge bus fees go through. To raise $225,000, it could cost about $250 per student for a year of bus service. Is it worth the cost?

42 people responded.

• 19, or 45 percent, said "Times are hard and I do not see anything wrong with parents paying for services their children use."

• 11, or 26 percent, said "I pay taxes in this town and think that should be enough for my kid(s) to ride a school bus. (11)

• 5, or 12 percent, said "I plan to take the money it would cost to ride the bus next year and buy my kid the best bike at equal cost. Who needs buses?"

• 7, or 17 percent, said "Next year, bus fees; the year after, tuition? Some things in life – like attending public school – are meant to be free."

This week's question:

An Andover couple is giving up just about everything for a trip around the world. They've sold their house, quit their jobs and are ready to embark on a year-long journey visiting numerous counties. Is this a crazy idea or the chance of a lifetime?

• With all that's going on in the world I wouldn't recommend traveling anywhere, let alone for that amount of time.

• It's a nice thought, but I wouldn't give up stability for the sake of a long vacation.

• I'm jealous. I wish I had the guts to do the same.

To cast a vote, surf to www.andovertownsman.com.

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SPRING IS IN THE AIR

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Now that enough snow has finally melted to allow some grass to reappear, residents are taking advantage. Amy Wetterskog sends a flying disc Jeff Balbuena's way in the Park on Tuesday.

LETTERS

Snow solution

Editor, *Townsman:*

I'm a custodian for West Middle School, and I think if Andover were to supply the custodians with adequate snow-removal equipment that we could do the school property, instead of some private contractor. We are there anyway shoveling and snowblowing. I've plowed many times in the past and can drive a plow truck just as good as the next guy. And we punch in and out!

Dean Lafitt
5 Gibson Court
North Andover

Don't lose bulked up PE

Editor, *Townsman:*

My name is Dick Swift and I was a teacher, coach, athletic director and physical-education adviser spanning some 25 years in Andover. During those years, I came to realize that Andover was a very special place. Always noted for its outstanding academics, Andover, it became apparent to me, has a physical-education program that is equally outstanding. The physical-education teachers and myself stayed in Andover because of the opportunity to be associated with a program that could achieve outstanding results for its students. Having taught and directed in other school systems, I know a school system takes on certain strong characteristics that are unique to that community. If you talk education in Massachusetts and elsewhere, Andover combines an outstanding education that includes physical education and athletics. Why is that so? Well the reason is the staff and the parents long recognized since the 1930s that a strong mind functioned best in a strong and healthy body.

I'm saddened that such an outstanding community will allow one of its top programs for its students to be reduced to the point where little can be achieved.

As a former administrator in Andover, I'm concerned that Andover may lose that educational excellence along with its great traditions.

Richard L. Swift
Abbot Farms Lane
Hudson, N.H.

Director: Multiple layers of oversight on snow plows

Editor, *Townsman:*

In the March 6 edition of the *Andover Townsman*, an article and editorial appeared regarding the town's snow-removal operation. The article, reported by Ben Hellman, led with the phrase "Snow removal is big business in Andover." You bet it is, and it is run as close to a business as one can in this municipal environment. In this letter, I would like to set the record straight on several issues.

The paper wrote that snow-plow contractors plow Andover streets on the honor system and they just send the town a bill. Nothing could be further from the truth. Prior to publishing his article, I asked your reporter to accompany me during the next snow-plow event so he could gauge the level of control that we exercise over contractors. The paper published the article prior to accepting my offer. If a reporter had chosen to ride with me or one of the town's road-rangers, he would have witnessed an efficient operation that has multiple layers of oversight. During storms, the town employs seven people who serve as roadrangers and their sole job is to check on the contractors and ensure that all of the streets are being properly cleared. Additionally, the town manager and I also spend time doing a tour of our roads, such as during the big storms on Christmas Day and Presidents Day, ensuring that routes are being plowed and problem areas are being addressed.

Contractors are required to report directly to their pre-assigned routes to save time and avoid confusion at the town yard. We cannot physically fit all of the contracted equipment in the Lewis Street yard at one time. The town employs 45 contractors based in Andover with approximately 100 pieces of equipment. We also have an additional 15 contractors who are not based in Andover. They provide the town with up to 40 more pieces of equipment. It does not make sense to have them travel from one side of town to another to "check in." Many of these contractors have routes that include their own neighborhoods so there is no benefit for them to travel to the town yard first and then return to their neighborhood to plow their route. This would waste valuable time while the snow is falling and they are needed to clear the streets.

Over the years, experience has taught us that we only need to check their routes to know that they have arrived and are performing their job. Additionally, we have 12,000 households where residents do not hesitate to call the highway division if a contractor is suspected of not plowing their street in the manner in which they have become accustomed.

I also want to correct the hourly rate that the town pays its contractors. The bulk of our contractors are paid between $44 and $82.50 per hour, which is comparable to those paid by other cities and towns and the state for similar pieces of equipment. There are only two pieces of equipment where private operators are paid more than $100 per hour. One of those pieces, a bulldozer, is only utilized at the snow dump and snow is never hauled to the snow dump during a storm. The other piece is a road grader which services the town's long runs.

Andover decides when to call in contracted help and also decides when to send them home. The contractors are guaranteed a four-hour minimum. It should be noted that we have never paid the minimum for less than four hours of work. Anything over the four hours is paid on an hour-by-hour basis. We are in constant contact with our supervisory people by radio and with most contractors via cell phone to provide direction during and after the storm.

I have been in the business of fighting snow and ice for more than 30 years. Andover is fortunate to have dedicated municipal employees and top-notch contractors keeping its streets, sidewalks and parking lots open and safe. Town employees and contractors take pride in their work and it shows. My invitation still stands for a reporter to see, first hand, how the town fights snow and ice.

Jack Petkus
Director, Department of Public Works

The Townsman held the story one week after information offered by Petkus was described as incorrect by private plow operators, to give Petkus time to offer accurate information. Corrections made in this letter, such as to the hourly rate paid contractors, are corrections to information provided by Petkus or DPW.

THE THURSDAY FILE

Love your enemies. It makes them so damned mad.
P.D. East

You will do foolish things, but do them with enthusiasm.
Colette

It's not so much that we're afraid of change or so in love with the old ways, but it's that place in between that we fear... It's like being between trapezes. It's Linus when his blanket is in the dryer. There is nothing to hold onto.
Marilyn Ferguson
American Futurist

Curiosity is one of the most permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous intellect.
Samuel Johnson

You do not really know your friends from your enemies until the ice breaks.
Icelandic saying

You ask, what is our aim? I can answer with in one word: It is victory, victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terror, victory, however long and hard the road may be; for without victory, there is no survival... And I say, "Come then, let us go forward together with our united strength."
Winston Churchill, May 1940

When a great moment knocks on the door of your life, very often it's no louder than the beating of your heart, and it's very easy to miss it.
Boris Pasternak

If you want happiness for an hour – take a nap.
If you want happiness for a day – go fishing.
If you want happiness for a month – get married.
If you want happiness for a year – inherit a fortune.
If you want happiness for a life – help others.
Chinese proverb

Never bend your head. Hold it high. Look the world straight in the eye.
Helen Keller

About 'Thursday File'

Steve MacDowall started the file two years ago and sent it to 10 people. Today it is sent to more than 10,000.

The Web site for his creation is www.hudsonvanloo.ca and it suggests books to read and offers quotations such as the ones on this page.

Best quotation sent

The ambitious man, he doth like the ape, the higher he climbs the more he showeth his ars.
Francis Bacon

LETTERS

Role models

Editor, *Townsman:*

To AHS girls basketball team:

Your Andover High team is filled with exceptional young women who define all the aspects of success. I'm not talking about the success of winning a state title. I'm talking about the success of being role models to the younger girls cheering you from the stands each game, the 8- and 9-year-old girls who stand on tiptoes in the bleachers to watch you play with passion the game they're learning to love.

They have watched you through an entire season with stars in their eyes. They've seen the way you handle yourselves when there's an undesirable call by a referee, or the way you support your teammates with words of encouragement, shoulder pats and hugs. They watch you respect your coach and follow his lead. They watch the way you don't give up when the score is down, and the way you persevere to win. They have watched you handle defeat with your heads held high and celebrate wins with class. You lead them by the example of true sportsmanship and team play.

Congratulations, also, on winning the state title! We were at the Centrum cheering with our daughter and her friends, lined up on tiptoes with their Andover shirts worn proudly while screaming in excitement and anticipation. Remember how big everything looks when you're little? That's how big you are to these girls. You are huge role models – just like the ones you watched from the stands when you were 8 and 9.

When you're off to college in the years to come and you feel small in a big place, remember the little girls that watched you and what an impression you made on them as athletes. Come back to Andover, sit in the stands and watch them on the court. Their passion for basketball, and the characteristics you see in their play, will look very familiar. Look for the stars in their eyes because you put them there. You have been exceptional all-around athletes for the girls to look up to and aspire to be like.

Carla Byrne
Colleen Byrne, age 8
5 Donna Road

From ship off the sands of Iwo Jima, outlook different

Editor, *Townsman:*

I am writing in response to Jane Gossard's letter of March 6. While Gossard takes a rosy-hued view of the world, perhaps the lens I get to view things from is a little different. Gossard gets to view things from the warmth, comfort, and safety of Andover, with a bird feeder in the yard and the neighbors' kids playing outside. I can see how one can get a rather skewed perspective of the world from this. Gossard probably esteems herself a student of international relations, and I am sure has some wonderful insight on national security and the always present security-power dilemma. However, in place of an objective study of the situation, we get the usual diatribe of how we might make the people in the Mideast (gasp) hate us if we topple a savage dictator, and how the United Nations is due to break its perfect streak of failures. To top things off, Gossard ends with the simple statement that she is from the Vietnam generation, which apparently is some sort of qualification (though I rather doubt she was at Khe Sahn or leading a patrol through the Mekong Delta) for debating national security.

My view is not so rosy-hued. If I go up a flight of stairs, and look across the flight deck of the ship I am embarked upon, I can see the cone of Mt. Surabachi, and the black sands of Iwo Jima, where more than 7,000 sailors and Marines died in 36 days to triumph over 22,000 defenders, the vast majority of whom are today still entombed in their bunkers and caves beneath the surface. When I am back at my home base on Okinawa, I know North Korea has missiles that can reach my friends and me in the blink of an eye, and that the Red Chinese have more than 400 missiles along their coast line, most aimed at the democratic people of Taiwan. It is a dangerous world, Mrs. Gossard, and will continue to be one.

While "giving everyone in the Middle East a place at the table, both economically and politically" sounds like a noble idea, my question is, who is holding them back? The answer is the thugs who run countries like Iraq, Syria, and Iran. It is not the effects of imperialism, or some deep-seated racism that is keeping those countries from leaving the Middle Ages, but the rulers who immorally impose their will upon their people through force, and force alone. Somehow, I think the people of Iraq will be thankful for what we do.

If the UN is Gossard's solution to our problems, than I would suggest that she do some background investigation, especially in regards to the UN's successes. Last I checked, not a single peace-keeping operation has been successfully concluded in 40 years. If we assume that the UN is legitimate (and I have never voted for any action it has taken), than it falls into the quandary of "legitimacy without power leads to empty posturing." The UN's record for success is abysmal, without the power of the US to back it, yet it scoffs at that very power, and, more importantly, the actual will to use it. That's the only reason Saddam has actually been willing to deal with the UN.

Finally, while I have the highest regard for the people who served their country in Vietnam, I have only contempt for those who stabbed them in the back and actually took the side of the communists who massacred the South Vietnamese upon their victory. Mrs. Gossard, I saw the airplanes slam into the skyscrapers when I got out of a simulator in flight school. You might be the Vietnam generation, but I am part of the September 11 generation, and that means I take national security very seriously, and I do not see why the US has to wait for UN bureaucrats and lily-livered appeasers instead of taking action.

John D. Jordan
AHS '96

Girdwood: Town and school are working together

Editor, *Townsman:*

Your issue of March 13 contained not one but two articles about the "furlough," an idea that has already been put to rest. It pieced together quotations to try to show town and school departments are not working together. How misleading. The Strategic Planning Task Force has been talking publicly for months about such ideas as combining town and school functions. The *Townsman* chooses not to attend meetings where town officials and administrators are working together to solve problems in this difficult fiscal situation. I hope the *Townsman* can focus more on helping their readers understand the issues facing all of us. This work is difficult enough without our local newspaper making matters worse.

Let's not let the *Townsman* come between us. Let's continue to talk and work together.

Tina Girdwood
School Committee

Girls b-ball captain speaks for team

Editor, *Townsman:*

My parents and sisters always told me my high-school athletic experience would be the best experience I could ever have because of the support the people in town would give my team. That was an understatement. Holding the state championship trophy with my teammates and coaches was the most incredible feeling I have ever had. The joy that was on the faces in the crowd, young and old, was something I will never forget. Our town exhibited great spirit.

This year's team showed what could be accomplished if everybody works towards one goal. While we had talent, very few people thought that we had enough to accomplish what we did. Something happened, though, during the season that is hard to describe. We as a team started to, as Coach Jim Tildsley would say, get it. The understanding that everybody had a job to do and each job had value to the success of the team is a concept that is not as easily understood as it appears. Playing within our abilities and doing those things we do well to eliminate mistakes was an important key to our success.

Coach Tildsley and my father, Dick Muller, the assistant coach, did an outstanding job, day to day, in teaching us the game. We are fortunate to have such competent coaches who care so much about the success of the team and take great joy in seeing us succeed. Their genuine interest in how each player is doing is exhibited not in their words, but their actions. It is easy to want to win for them.

The people in the town, the student body and school staff have been unbelievable. We will never forget the parade led by Dave Fazio, throughout the school on Friday, or the reception that our athletic director, Jim Hurley, and Selectman Ted Teichert held for us in the gym after the game. On behalf of the team, I want to say Andover's support of the girl's basketball team has been great.

Jenny Muller
AHS girls captain
18 Candlewood Drive

Pool resources

Editor, *Townsman:*

Bravo to Claudia Bach for at least *trying* to come up with ways to save teaching positions. As a father of two kids at South and one entering next year, it drives me crazy to hear about all the things the town is *not* considering to save about 10 elementary teaching positions cut in the upcoming budget.

As I drive through town, I see a brand new police station. I see a brand new fire station being built. Whether you have kids in school or not, everyone should remember that great schools are what separates average towns from excellent towns. Nobody I know moved to Andover because of a nice fire station.

The fire chief, when faced with having to cut 1.5 employees, warned us that if two fires broke out in town we might have to ask for help from neighboring towns. So what! Would they not respond? Why does every town need to be self-sufficient in its ability to respond to several simultaneous major fires, no matter how rare they are today?

Let's pool our resources with other towns and save some real money. Money that could save teaching positions and really have a positive impact on our town.

Stephen Root
35 Hidden Road

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by Richard D. Hopgood, D.M.D., F.A.G.D.

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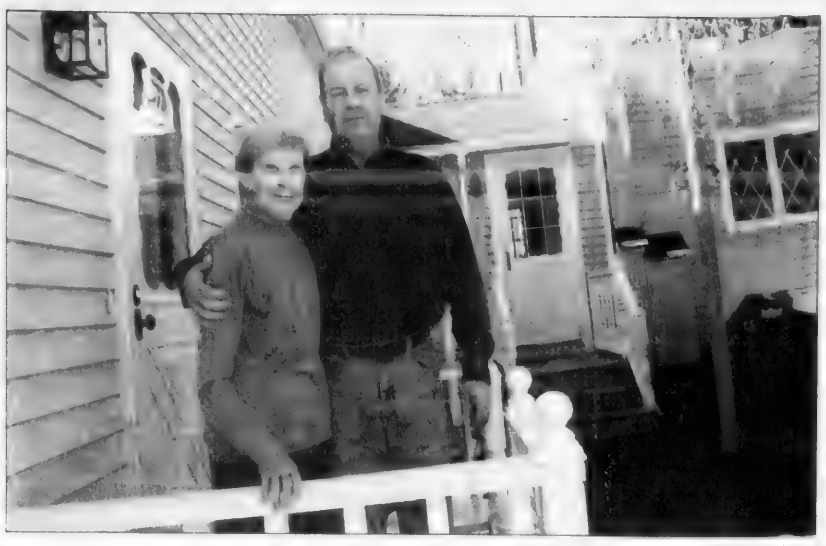

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Harold Wright built a live-in apartment for his mother, Martha, at his home on Greenwood Road.

Change to lead to affordable units

■ ATTACHED DWELLING

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there.

The change would give homeowners more flexibility – and allow for more rental units in town.

"(There was a) need that was recognized to try and generate affordable, low impact housing stock and for people to stay in their house," Wright, a former fire chief and Finance Committee member, says about the reason for bringing the article forward. "I think it's kind of a win-win situation."

Wright says changing this regulation could help people stay in their homes by giving them the opportunity to rent out a unit for income. Single professionals or young families looking to enter the town will also have new housing options.

"This would enable them to get into town at a reasonable rate," he says. "It would be my hope certainly that it does pass."

"It's an alternative to owning a single-family home all by yourself," Senior Planner Lisa Schwarz says, agreeing with Wright that the article could help promote diverse housing stock in the community.

The house must keep the appearance of a single-family home and fit in with the characteristics of the neighborhood. Schwarz says they do not want them to become multi-family homes.

"We cap it off at 1,000 square feet," she says, believing that size is large enough for a comfortable two-bedroom unit.

According to Schwarz, properties with these units will still be taxed as a single-family home, with a notation that there is an accessory dwelling unit.

"It gives people more rights to their property," says Schwarz.

Schwarz says the change will allow healthy family members to live in such a home addition.

The article would also allow accessory dwelling units to be rented out to non-family members on the condition the house remains owner-occupied. Currently, according to Schwarz, any renting done of these units is illegal.

There are 47 accessory dwelling units in Andover, not including illegal units or ones in place prior to zoning.

"We have had some built illegally," say Schwarz. This can be dangerous since fire and police won't know where they are in an emergency.

If the article passes Schwarz says the town will offer a grace period for violators come forward and obtain the necessary special permit without facing penalties.

"We're thinking about a year-long grace period," she says. "I guess you could call it an amnesty period."

Numbers good for Chateau Keno

■ SELECTMEN VOTE

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According to Randy Hanson, the town clerk, when Grill 93 brought Keno into Andover, a license was just given upon request with a state application. Selectmen did not have a say. She said the only other establishment to file for a Keno license was the Ground Round in 1999, but it withdrew its application before a decision was made.

Hanson said the state lottery commission is likely to go along with the recommendation given once a town has come to a consensus on the issue.

"I have mixed emotions about gambling," said Hender, but he didn't believe he should stand in the way of the license.

Hender mentioned checking out the scene at another Chateau Restaurant location and seeing first-hand how Keno is handled in the company's establishments helped ease his concerns.

"It seems like this wouldn't interfere with what were trying to do as a town," said Lyman.

During the public hearing to decide if Andover was ready and willing to allow the game to be played in town, two local residents spoke against it.

"Anybody in this room can catch the illness of compulsive gambling," said Author McCue of Cameron Road. "It makes you a liar, a cheat, a sneak and a thief."

He held up newspaper articles about tragic circumstances linked to gambling to emphasize his opposition to Keno in town.

Larry Bruce of Chandler Road expressed concern about the types of people this form of gambling would attract. He came armed with data and statistics of crime rates for the area in recent years, urging the selectmen to vote not to allow Keno at the Chateau Restaurant.

"I don't think the town can go forward with this license in good conscience," said Bruce. "I feel it would be irresponsible."

Bruce told the selectmen allowing Keno at the Chateau Restaurant would mean gambling with the safety of residents.

In a letter to the *Townsman* he wrote "The police data supports the fact that this is an extremely high crime area. In recent time there have been 38 drug violations, a rape, an indecent assault and battery, five assaults, 34 breaking and entering, 51 vehicles stolen, 30 motor vehicle crashes, three of which had personal injury, 11 liquor violations, and many others. I would have to believe that this site is one of Andover's top-10 crime areas. I feel it would it be irresponsible to grant a license to gamble on this premise."

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said he received a letter from Lt. James Hashem stating there were no objections from Andover police.

"The Keno does not create those problems," said Joseph Nocera, president of the Chateau Restaurant. "We didn't know that it might be an issue since it was already there (at Grill 93). Part of our purchase price was all of the licenses."

After the hearing, Nocera said he understood the concerns people had. "We're not going to have the crowd they had in there before, or the problems they had in there before," he said.

Town veterans, peace advocates on war

■ WAR

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aired on cable television last fall.

"I am concerned for the young guys going into this who have no idea what it's like," said Haugh, who was a medic.

He hopes when the war in Iraq is over, it is clear America made the correct decision.

"It's nice to know we did the right thing," he said of the imminent war, adding, "but we don't know that yet."

Meanwhile, veteran Oscar Rosenberg, who was also featured in the documentary, was more direct with his opinion.

"They got my OK to go ahead and clean 'em out," Rosenberg said.

At the town veterans office, director John Doherty is also focused on those serving. He has given out 15 Blue Stars to Andover residents whose close family members have been called to active duty. The stars hang in the windows of homes. The Blue Star tradition started in World War I to signify that a loved one was serving in the war. He said the tradition has been revived since September 11.

"I have the same position as everyone. I'm apprehensive," Doherty said about the war.

He said he has been speaking with Vietnam veterans and they are worried about the fallout of the war and its effect on those who served.

"We don't want to see what happened to us (Vietnam veterans) happen to them. Large sections of this country turned their backs on us," he said. "We don't want feelings of war and hatred turned toward the warriors."

Some residents who hoped to avoid war, such as Don Abbott, have tentatively scheduled a vigil at Old Town Hall at 5 p.m. on the day the fighting begins.

The group staged last Sunday's Vigil for Peace outside Old Town Hall on Main Street. About 220 people attended the 7 p.m. service that organizers stressed was a vigil for peace, not a protest.

"The time was solemn, but hopeful," said Abbott of Andover, who attended. "We sang peace songs and also sang America the Beautiful.

"It was not billed as a protest," he said. "We were there because we didn't want to see us go to war. We want continued diplomacy."

Andover's vigil was sparked by the Win Without War Coalition, whose Web site called for vigils around the world. Their web site reported several vigils in 43 countries at 7 p.m. last Sunday. Andover was among them.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu and many faith-based groups lent their support to the vigils.

Abbott said attendees were all against war and banded together in song and prayers. Peace and prayers for those serving, along with remembering those who have served in wars past, was the focus.

John Jordan, an Andover High graduate stationed aboard the Essex in the Pacific, said he is pleased the United States has made its decision to go to war.

"I can say that several of my peers and myself feel both pride and a degree of jealousy," he wrote in an e-mail to the *Townsman*. "Pride in that the US is not going to allow second and third-rate countries try to dictate our policies, and jealousy that while many of our friends (and in some cases family) are very likely to see action in Iraq, we will be patrolling the Pacific region as a contingency force (31st Marine Expeditionary Unit). Overall, I would say most of us are just happy that the

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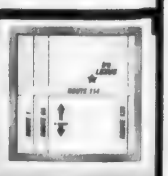

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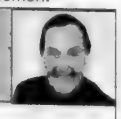

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TOWN TALK

Town needs reserve HR help after reservist gets 9/11 call-up

The war on terrorism has affected the town's human resources department directly. Just after the terror attacks of September 11, 2001, Air Force Reservist Stephen Fields was called to duty.

"He got the call 20 minutes after (the attacks)," said human resource director Candace Hall.

Fields has been able to make visits back to the Andover office, but has been on duty since the terror attacks and isn't expected back until next September. Hall says the department has had to hire a full-time employee to cover Fields' absence, but because of increased workload the new hire will stay on when Fields returns.

– Ben Hellman

Alex remembered with road rally, dinner dance

Former Andover High student Alex Miliotis died one year ago this month, and many residents are finding ways to remember her.

Alex, a three-sport athlete at AHS, was just 16 when she died of cancer March 15, 2002. (*See related story, page 19.*)

The Alex's Team Foundation is sponsoring a two-part celebration on Saturday, March 29. A road rally is planned during the day, followed by a dinner and dancing event at Andover Country Club. Tickets are $50 per person.

A $5,000 raffle is the party highlight and plans also call for honoring Dr. Loren Walensky of the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

In addition, the foundation will donate $1,000 to Andover's new youth center.

The road rally is a drive-through course with stops at some of Alex's favorite spots, including Andover High and the Meadow Brook Golf Club in Reading, where the Miliotis family enjoyed spending summers.

For more information on the day's events, check out www.alexsteamfoundation.com or call Patti Miliotis, foundation director, at 978-247-7205.

– Judy Wakefield

Tomorrow is the deadline for Cole Award nominations

The town of Andover announced late last week it is looking for nominees for this year's Virginia Cole Community Service Award, which is presented to an Andover resident at the Annual Town Meeting in gratitude for his or her outstanding contributions to the town. The town manager's office says the criteria for the award is as follows: outstanding, long-term contributions to the town in elected, appointed or volunteer roles or a combination of these.

Nomination forms are available in the town manager's office and must be submitted by tomorrow, Friday, March 21. Past recipients are Virginia Cole in 2001 and Robert and Margaret Pustell in 2002.

Author Larry Tye to speak at Temple Emanuel on March 28

Larry Tye, an author who was originally from Haverhill, will speak at Temple Emanuel of Andover next Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. Tye, formerly a Boston-based reporter, wrote his first book, *The Father of Spin*, about Edward I. Bernays, considered to be the father of modern advertising.

Tye's second book, *Homelands*, is an account of the Jewish community in seven cities around the world. Tye is currently working on a book about Pullman porters, primarily African-American men who worked on the sleeper rail cars. They were in the forefront of the labor movement and they helped spawn today's black middle class.

Tye will speak about his research, and the collective efforts of the black and Jewish communities in the early days of the labor and civil rights movements.

All are invited to the service and lecture.

AROUND *the* world

Andover 30-somethings take a year off to travel the globe

By Judy Wakefield

MANY SPEND A LIFETIME dreaming about it. Andoverites Mary-Pierce "MP" Powell and her husband, Jon Leslie, are just doing it.

They are checking out for a year, embarking on a trip around the world.

"We decided that before we settle down with kids and have to engage in the daily grind again, we need to see the world. We may never have the opportunity again," said Powell, an interior designer who also works at the women's clothing store, Native Sun, on Essex Street in Andover.

They sold their Elm Court house (in a day) last December, sold much of their belongings at yard sales and put their heirloom furniture in storage. They found a short-term lease for an apartment on Florence Street and have permanently parked their two cars at his parents' house in Groton for the next year.

They shove off next Thursday, kicking off Powell's dream with a two-week Hawaiian vacation. Then, it's off to New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, and a train ride to Thailand followed by flights to Hong Kong, Helsinki, Moscow, Istanbul and finally Athens, where the plane tickets end.

"Then we start railing it in eastern Europe," said Powell, who is 32.

That itinerary includes stops in Italy, France and Spain and a boat ride to Morocco. The Canary Islands, Great Britain and Ireland are also planned destinations.

They didn't care to reveal the cost of the trip, but said Internet Web sites, especially bootsnAll.com, helped them plan it. A guidebook to worldwide youth hostels is the bible of a trip like this, they said.

"I'll have my laptop with me," said Leslie, 34, a self-described techie who quit his job at a dot-com company two weeks ago.

But Leslie never dreamed he would put the brakes on life to take a trip around the world. It's Powell who did enough dreaming for both of them.

Have tickets, will travel – "MP" Powell and Jon Leslie (top and bottom photos) are surrounded by tickets and moving boxes, as the Andoverites are ready for their trip around the globe.

"She talked about it and I was just listening... and, then a realtor was walking through my house," he said. "That's when I knew she was serious."

His family was not exactly thrilled when the couple announced their plans. He described them as a very close family that enjoys staying near home.

"Our family's idea of a vacation was basically a trip to Maine in the summer," said Leslie, who grew up in Groton. "It took a long talk to get my mother to come around."

In fact, family members are taking bets on how long a homebody like Leslie will last on the year-long jaunt. "My brother gives me three months," he said.

On the flip side, Powell said "Europe is in my blood" as her late mother was Dutch and she frequented Europe while growing up. Her family encouraged her to go the upcoming trip.

A native of Little Rock, Ark., she attended college in San Diego, Calif., and lived there for 10 years. Leslie often visited San Diego for work and met Powell there. She eventually came east with him and this October marks their fifth wedding anniversary. They bought their house in Andover shortly after marrying.

This trip is happening, regardless of the looming war and family worries about their safety, Powell said.

"The risk is well worth it, even with the current state of the world," she said.

Selling the Andover house was an epiphany as she realized how much "stuff" she had. She's adamant about simplifying her life, acting on her dream, and being smart about it.

Web sites posted by the defense department keep them abreast of "safe cities," they said, and others who have traveled the world and shared their stories have offered useful tips. The No. 1 tip is to avoid looking American, Powell said, noting they will not pack their designer clothes.

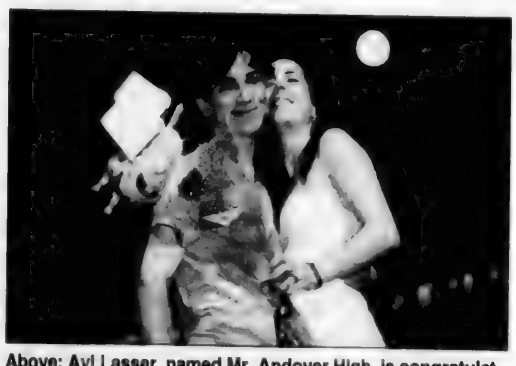
They'll keep a close eye on the state of the world and have no plans to visit nightclubs abroad.

They well remember the terrorist act at a Bali nightclub frequented by Americans. Their numerous vaccine shots will help to keep them free of disease and they will get used to checking their mouthwash supply.

The water is terrible in many of the cities they will see, and other travelers have said they need to get used to brushing their teeth with mouthwash.

"We're healthy, we're happy and have a dream to do this," Powell said. "You take risks in order to achieve happiness because you never know what will happen next."

WHAT'S UP



Above: Avi Lasser, named Mr. Andover High, is congratulated by his sponsor, Lindsay Timko. Below, left: Lasser is on his idea of a dream date, as the Cat in the Hat. Below, at right: Mark Brickman in the talent competition.

Photos by Tim Jean

There he is… Mr. Andover High

By Kyra Auffermann
WHAT'S UP intern

TWELVE CONTESTANTS COMPETED for the "holy grail" of being named the 12th annual Mr. AHS last Friday, March 14 in the AHS Collins Center. Despite the high prestige of the award, the atmosphere backstage stayed friendly, complete with gummy bears and high-fives.

This year's production, sponsored by the junior class, was complete with kiddie pools, a dream date starring the cast of the Disney channel, and an inexplicable yellow chicken costume. At the end of the night, Avi Lasser was crowned Mr. AHS for 2003, with Ben Carter awarded first runner up, and Andy Doherty taking the second runner-up prize.

The opening dance performed by last year's Mr. AHS finalists was later described as "the funniest thing I've ever seen" and even "wicked awesome." The rest of the show's highlights included a slightly surreal introductory video, starring host Dave Tanklefsky with junior class adviser Michelle Chachus in a strong supporting role, along with displays of talent on the guitar, base, drums and piano – and even a few stand-up comedy routines during the talent segment. Every year, the Mr. AHS contest includes a dance by the contestants, and this year was no exception, as a dozen 17-year-old boys abandoned all dignity and shimmied to *I've Got the Power*.

"I thought it went really well, save for a few slow points," says Dave, who cohosted with Jenn Mason. "I had a lot of fun."

Bill Gerson, the faculty adviser who helped produce the show along with Michelle Chachus, says that the experience was "terrific. It was one of the most enjoyable things I've done. Watching the audience's face made it worth it."

He called the event "a necessary diversion from the not-so-pleasant things surrounding it."

So maybe it wasn't on national television like Miss America, and maybe it won't lead to a scholarship and promotional deals – but who cares? The piano- and organ-playing Avi seemed pretty happy with his trophy and sash – and, as every contestant said when asked, "It was fun!"

Above: Steve Schade demos a Chinese yo-yo. Below: Ryan Chua's sports specialty is shooting a paintball gun.

Andy Doherty helps contestant Scott Mancinelli demonstrate his Super Wedgie capability.

WEDDINGS

Miller-Henderson

Jessica Henderson and Paul M. Miller were married Sept. 6, 2002, in Newport, R.I., where the Rev. Donald Taylor of Chesapeake, Va. officiated.

Paul M. Miller and Jessica Henderson

The bride is the daughter of Fred and Norma Waring of Miami, Fla., and Arthur and Lynn Henderson of Falmouth. She received a bachelor of science degree in zoology and a master of science degree in aquaculture from the University of Rhode Island. She is employed at Harvard University.

The groom is the son of Donald Miller of Andover. He received a bachelor of arts in chemistry from the University of Rhode Island and is self-employed.

After a honeymoon to Big Island, Hawaii, the couple live in Haverhill.

Selvitelli-Stanz

Annemarie Stanz and Marc Selvitelli were married Aug. 24, 2002 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Buffalo, N.Y.

The bride, the daughter of Chris and Gloria Stanz of North Tonowanda, N.Y., was given in marriage by her father. She is a graduate of Buffalo State, and is working as manager of meetings and trade shows for the Association of Walls and Ceilings International in Falls Church, Va.

Annemarie and Marc Selvitelli

Allyson Stanz was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Debra Newton, Megan Selvitelli, Laurie Augello and Colleen Sexton.

The groom is the son of Bob and Pat Selvitelli of Andover and is a graduate of Andover High School and Pennsylvania State University. He is director of industry relations for the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

Keith Selvitelli was best man. Groomsmen were Reed Newton, Michael Stanz, David Ahouse, and Eric Seifert.

The reception was held at the TanTara Golf Club in North Tonowanda. Following the reception the couple left for a honeymoon in Bora-Bora and Moorea. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Taylor-Daher

Melissa Daher and James E. Taylor Jr. were married at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston by the Rev. James Khoury.

Melissa and James Taylor

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Daher of Andover, and was given in marriage by her father. Maids of honor were Kimberly Daher and Allison Daher, and bridesmaids were Maria Cyr, Alexandra Daher, Melissa Finneran, Joy Gosselin, and Nicole Tirapelli.

The bride graduated from Our Lady of Nazareth Academy and Merrimack College. She is an operations manager for Charles Daher's Commonwealth Motors in Lawrence.

The groom is the son of James E. Taylor Sr. of Rockland and Christine Taylor of Plymouth. Best men were Michael Taylor and Daniel Taylor, and ushers were Michael Arnold, Joseph Collett, Charles Daher III, Thomas Mulaney, Luke Newman, and Eric Taylor.

The groom graduated from Weymouth High School, Springfield College, and Endicott College. He is a service manager for Charles Daher's Commonwealth Motors in Lawrence.

Following their reception at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston, the couple left for their honeymoon to California and Hawaii.

Woodworth-McLellan

Robin Grace McLellan and Mark Allen Woodworth were married Oct. 12, 2002 at First Unitarian Universalist Church in Rockport, where the Rev. Dr. Anita Farber-Robertson officiated.

Robin and Mark Woodworth

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Susan McLellan of Andover. She is a graduate of Phillips Academy and Wesleyan University. She is an account manager at Siemens.

The groom is the son of Nancy Stiles Woodworth and the late Clyde Edwin Allen Woodworth Jr. of Norwell and Dennis. He is a graduate of Norwell High School and Wesleyan University and is currently a baseball coach at Wesleylan University.

After a honeymoon trip to Italy, the couple live in Hadley and plan to move to Portland, Conn.

Riley-Fillback

Ann MacDonald Fillback and John Richard Riley Jr. were married at Glen Magna Farms in Peabody.

John and Ann Riley

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Fillback of Andover, is a graduate of North Andover High School, attended the Universite de Caen, Caen, France and is a cum laude graduate of Colby College, Waterville, Maine. She is the director of consumer research for AXA Financial, New York City.

The groom, son of Janice Salisbury of Tucson, Ariz. and the late Dr. John Richard Riley, is a graduate of Fairport High School, Fairport, N.Y.; Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va.; and the University of Connecticut Graduate School of Business, Storrs, Conn. He is a senior vice president in the foreign exchange division of Key Bank, New York City.

After they traveled to Italy, the couple live in Cos Cob, Conn.

MacIntire-Perry

Catherine Perry and Brian MacIntire were married Sept. 29, 2002, at Camellia Gardens, Caringbah, Australia.

Catherine and Brian MacIntire

The bride is the daughter of Margaret and Allan Perry of Jannali, Australia and was given in marriage by her parents. She is a graduate of the University of Sydney, Australia and is a teacher a Wattawa Heights Elementary School in Bankstown, Australia.

Nicole Perry was maid of honor. Flower girls were Hanna Welch and Olivia Welch.

The groom is the son of Stuart and Barbara MacIntire of Andover. He is a graduate of Andover High School, attended the University of Massachusetts Lowell, and now attends school in Sydney.

Stuart MacIntire, the groom's father, was best man.

Following a reception at Woolaware Country Club in Caringbah, Australia, the couple left for a honeymoon in Great Barrier Reef and Danali Rain Forest.

The couple live in Jannali, Australia.

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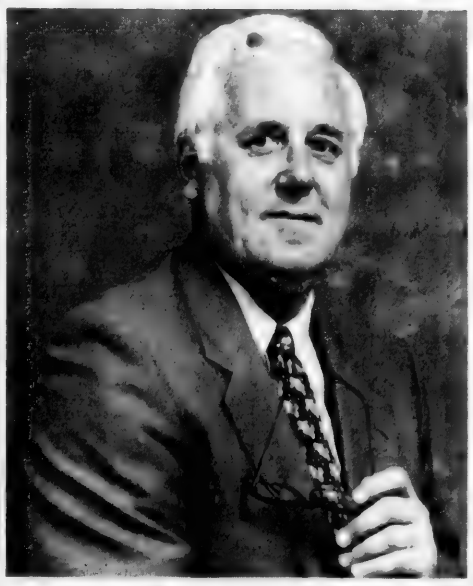

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FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker
Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center:

Movie Matinee: On Monday, March 24 we will show the movie *The Rookie* at 1 p.m. Dennis Quaid stars in this true story of Jim Morris, a father and baseball coach, who steps up to a challenge made by his high school team, and tries out for the major leagues. Reservations are not necessary – just drop in and join us.

Merrimack Repertory Theater: The next play in our subscription series with the Merrimack Repertory Theater will be *The Drawer Boy*. This is a funny, heartwarming, and ultimately heart-wrenching story about a young theater director. We have reserved seating for the 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, March 23. Tickets purchased through the center are just $17, and seating is limited.

Museum Of Science Trip: Spots are filling up for our March 25 trip to the Museum of Science for the exhibit "Treasures of Ancient Egypt." This exhibit features the largest selection of ancient artifacts ever loaned for public display outside Egypt. Boston will be the second stop in North America, and the only venue in the Northeast. Trip cost is $36, which includes bus transportation, tickets to the exhibit, and the Omni Theater presentation, "Mysteries of Egypt." We will make a stop at Faneuil Hall following the museum where you can enjoy lunch on your own. Call the center if you would like to find out if there are spaces still available.

Men's Breakfast: All interested senior men are invited to join us for this month's breakfast which will be held tomorrow, March 21 at 8:30 a.m. After breakfast there will be a digital slide presentation entitled "The Three Adventures." Don Nickerson will share with us his recent trip to Peru, the Inca ruins at Cuzco and Machu Picchu, and four days in the Galapagos Islands. Don't miss these amazing pictures and story. Reservations are $3; call the center.

"Le Grand David" Show: We will be taking a trip to the fabulous show at the Cabot Street Theater on Sunday, March 30 for the 3 p.m. performance of "Le Grand David." Come and see a spectacular troupe of dancers, singers, and illusionists mesmerize the audience with their marvelous acts. Cost is $30, which includes tickets and bus transportation. Stop by the center for reservations.

American Artists Slide and Lecture Series: Gershon Weisenberg will offer a four session art history slide, lecture, and discussion course focusing on American artists Winslow Homer, John Singer Sargent, Georgia O'Keefe and Edward Hopper. Class will meet Monday, March 31 and April 7, 14, and 28 at a cost of $20. Pre-registration is necessary.

Arthritis Aquacize Informational Session: There will be an informational session Monday, March 24 at 1:30 p.m. for anyone interested in hearing about a new arthritis aquacize class. This would be a one hour class specifically geared to help strengthen muscles and improve the quality of life for those with arthritis pain. Swimming ability is not required. Call the center for further information or to register for the orientation session.

Seasonal Scams In Andover: Plan to join us Friday, March 28 at 9:30 a.m. when Detective Mark Higginbottom from the Andover Police Department will present an informative program on seasonal scams that seem to hit Andover every spring. There is no charge, and a continental breakfast will be served. Call the center to make a reservation.

Stained Glass Workshop: Sandy Dukeshire from the Essex Art Center will conduct a one-day workshop at the center on Tuesday, April 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is $40, which includes all materials and the instructor's fee. Pre-registration is required.

Elder Hostel Breakfast: The senior center is pleased to announce that we have become a vendor partner with the Elder Hostel organization. This partnership will allow us to customize Elder Hostel opportunities for senior center attendees. A presentation will be held at the center Friday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m. where information will be available about this year's trips; a theater trip to Toronto and another on exploring the Fundy Trail. Anyone who is interested in attending is welcome to do so, but we would appreciate knowing you are coming so we can prepare an appropriate number of materials. A continental breakfast will also be served.

Volunteer Appreciation Reception: The senior center will host a volunteer appreciation reception at Old Town Hall on Thursday, April 3 from 3 to 5 p.m. All registered volunteers who have been active this past year are cordially invited to attend. Call your reservation into the center 978-623-8321 by today, March 20 so we can plan appropriately.

Andover Chamber Music Series: We have a very limited number of tickets available for the Andover Chamber Music's final concert of the year, "Espirit Of Three" on Sunday, April 6 at 4 p.m. Tickets purchased through the senior center are just $12, a 40 percent savings off the regular price. Don't delay if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Museum Of Fine Arts: Reservations are currently being accepted for our April 9 trip to the "Impressions Of Light" exhibit at the Museum of Fine Arts. This exhibit features a selection of more than 80 paintings as well as an additional seventy works on paper by artists such as Monet, Renoir, Degas and their contemporaries. If you appreciate fine art, don't miss this exhibit. Cost of the trip, including transportation, is $34.

Classical Indian Dance Performance: Tickets are currently on sale for our classical Indian dance performance scheduled for Sunday, April 6 at 2 p.m. at the senior center. Students of Preetha Arun will perform Bharathanatyam, which is the most famous and popular classical dance of India. Cost is $3 for the performance and the following reception.

Blood Sugar and Cholesterol Screening: The Andover Health Department will sponsor a health screening at the senior center Thursday, April 10 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Tests will measure total cholesterol and high-density lipoprotein (HDL) with finger stick testing; no fasting is necessary. A glucose screening for non-diabetics will also be available. Cost is $5, and appointments are necessary.

Local writers' group to meet next Thursday

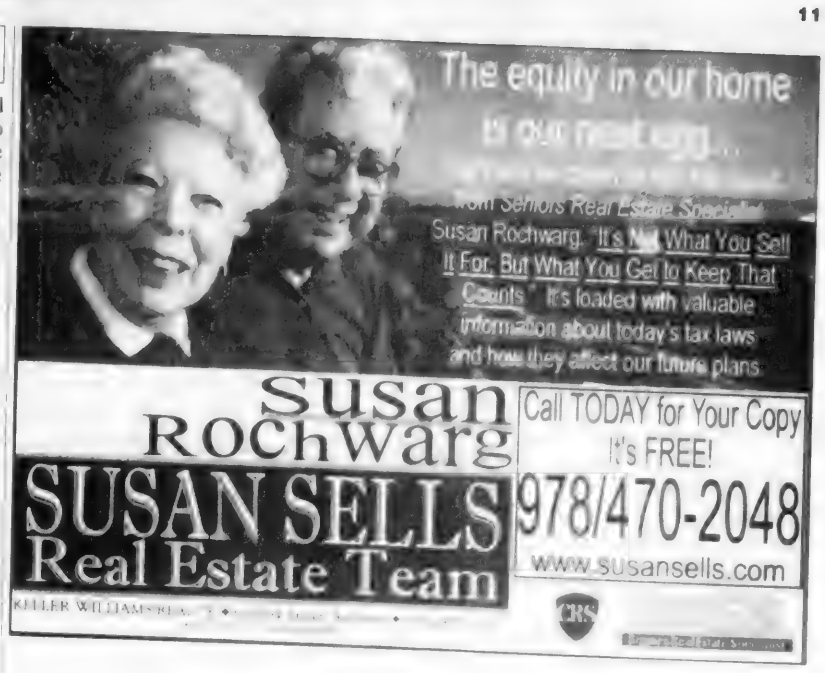
The next meeting of the Andovers Writers' Group will be held next Thursday, March 27, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Memorial Hall Library (Memorial Hall Room – Upper Level), on the corner of Essex and Main streets.

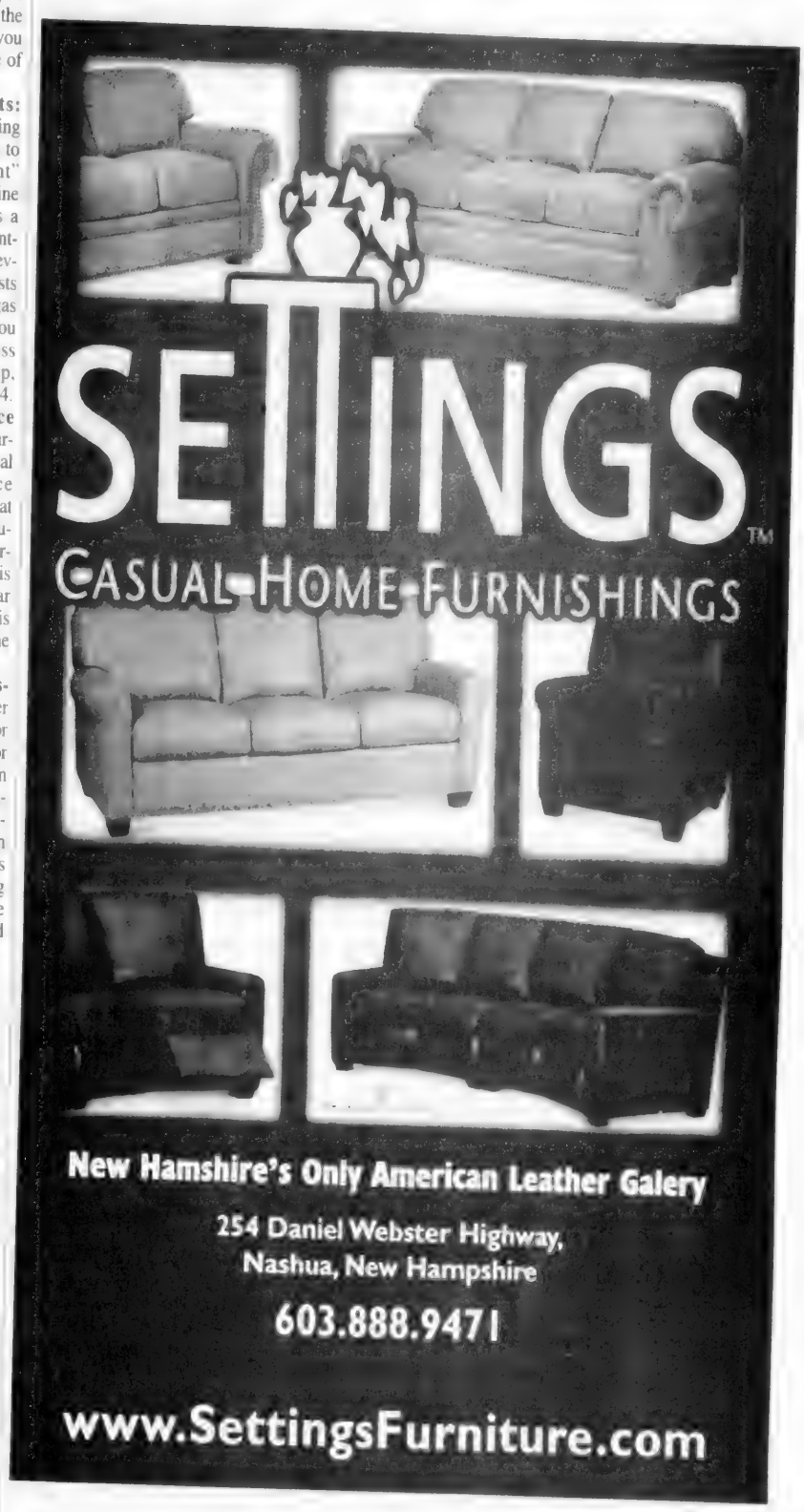
The meeting will be both an author's presentation and a workshop session.

James David Doherty, a lifelong resident of Andover, will read passages from his book, *Andover, as I Remember It*. Doherty will also share his experiences in writing and publishing this literary work. According to organizers, his published remembrances provide the reader with "informative, candid and interesting historical perspectives of this fascinating New England town throughout the years." Doherty has more than seniority in his corner as he remembers his hometown through the decades following World War I through 1992, as he has been a participant, not just an observer, in the educational, business, political, and spiritual life of the town. He is probably best known to Andover's citizens as the town moderator, having served in that elected position since 1977.

During the workshop session, interested individuals will be invited to read selected passages from their writings, and other attendees may be requested to give positive and constructive feedback to them. In addition, attendees will be given the opportunity to exchange ideas about various aspects of the entire life cycle of writing, as well as publishing one's works. In addition, writers are invited to bring copies of their literary efforts for display and discussion.

This meeting is free and open to all beginning to experienced writers, as well as other interested individuals. The Andovers Writers' Group (formerly The Writers' Networking Group) was organized by National Writers Union – Boston Local member Dr. Henry Everett and NWU networking coordinator Barbara Beckwith. For further information, call Leo Griffin at 978-470-1186.





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OBITUARIES

Robert C. Lundstrom

Local businessman

Robert C. Lundstrom, 68, of Woburn, died suddenly on Tuesday, March 11 at home.

He was a local businessman as he and his three sons opened Lund's Automotive Service on South Main Street in Andover in 1977.

Robert C. Lundstrom

Born in Boston and a graduate of Boston Trade School and Fitchburg State College, he worked as a mechanic at various dealerships in the greater Boston area.

He earned his Massachusetts Teaching Certificate and taught automotive technology at both the Shawsheen and Greater Lawrence Technical high schools in the early 1970s.

Family members said his motto was "personal service" and many of his customers became his friends. Over the years, many local teens worked at his shop and he enjoyed having them, family members said.

He was an avid and dedicated member of the Mass. Rifle Association in Woburn and served as captain of the pistol team for many years. He also held a life membership in the National Rifle Association.

A charter member of the Woburn Schools Band Guild, he was very involved in supporting the instrumental music program for young people.

Members of his family include his wife of 48 years, Rita (Bogan) Lundstrom; sons, Erick J. and his wife Pamela (Paige) Lundstrom of Andover, Timothy D. and his wife Pamela (Gardner) Lundstrom and Kenneth R. and his wife Eileen (Henchey) Lundstrom, all of Pepperell; a daughter, Lynn A. Stevens and her husband Gilbert of Reading; a brother, P. William Lundstrom of Carver; 12 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Lynch-Cantillon Funeral Home, 263 Main St., Woburn.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Children's Hospital Trust, Attn: Donations, 300 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115.

Arthur E. Adami

Formerly of Andover

Arthur E. Adami, 75, of Salem, N.H. and formerly of Andover, died Monday, March 17 at home.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he served n the U.S. Army during World War II. In 1951, he graduated cum laude from Lehigh University with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He was a member of Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma.

He attended Carnegie Mellon Institute.

During his career as an engineer, he worked for many companies. He retired as director of engineering for the Sweetheart Cup Co. in Wilmington. He also worked at Columbus McKinnon Corp. and C.R. Bard, AMF Inc., Westinghouse Electric Corp., and Dupont.

He held numerous patents during his career.

Mr. Adami was an active member of South Church, Andover. He served on the board of deacons, the board of trustees, and was moderator of the church. He was a volunteer for SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives).

Members of his family include his wife of 49 years, Virginia H. (Hagemeyer) Adami; a son, Bruce Adami of Manchester, N.H.; two daughters, Virginia Brown of Barrington, R.I. and Lurie Adami of Santa Monica, Calif; and one grandson.

Funeral services are today, Thursday, March 20 at 11 a.m. at South Church, Andover.

A private burial will take place in the church cemetery.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, March 19, from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to the South Church Memorial Gift Fund, 41 Central St., Andover, 01810.

Mary L. Jasperson

Native of England

Mary L. (Brown) Jasperson, 83, of Lawrence and formerly of Andover and Boston, died Saturday, March 15 at the Mary Immaculate Nursing Center in Lawrence of cancer.

She was born in England and came to Boston at age 11. She was raised and educated in Boston and later moved to Andover where she lived for the greater part of her life.

She was the widow of Thomas G. Jasperson.

Members of her family include three daughters, Geraldine "Geri" Machado of Lawrence, Sandra "Sandy" Smart and her husband William of Westford, and Teresa "Teri" Dolce and her husband Ralph of Florida; one brother, Dennis Brown of California; and one sister, Joan Wilds of Cape Cod; 10 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Jasperson was also the mother-in-law of the late Melvyn "Bob" Machado.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, March 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Funeral services will be today, Thursday, March 20 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

Elizabeth J. Pingree

Lived here since 1940

Elizabeth J. (Maconi) Pingree, 95, of Andover, died Saturday, March 15 at the Woodbriar of Wilmington Nursing Home.

Born in Newton, she lived in Andover since 1940.

She was a member of the American Horticultural Society.

She was the widow of Daniel Pingree.

Members of her family include her sons, John D. Pingree of Newark, Del., David E. Pingree and his wife Isabelle of Providence, R.I., and Peter D. Pingree of Andover; a daughter, Sarah Jane Dousa and her husband Michael of Andover; a sister, Elvira Raia of Arlington; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 36 Cameron Ave., Cambridge MA 02140-1102.

There were no calling hours at the family's request.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover. Cremation took place at Linwood Crematory.

DEATHS

Arthur E. Adami, 75
Philip G. Buker, 77
Thomas E. Clark IV, 23
Liam J. Dempsey, 9 weeks
Ellen P. Fennessy, 90
Debra R. Harriman, 47
Mary L. Jasperson, 83
Robert C. Lundstrom, 68
Angelina "June" Marino, 84
Miriam Mufson, 76
Elizabeth J. Pingree, 95
Richard F. Sawyer, Sr., 69
Alfreda M. Skop, 81
Carmelo C. Spatola, 89
Thomas J. Vernile, 55

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

BUKER – Philip G. Buker, 77, of Methuen died Thursday, March 13 at Holy Family Hospital. Members of his family include his sister, Jane Barlow of Andover.

MARINO – Angelina "June" Marino, 84, died Friday, Feb. 21 at Fl Hospital-Ormond Memorial Hospital in Ormond Beach, Fla. Members of her family include her daughter, Antonia Kulcsar and grandson, Stephen Kulcsar, both of Andover.

SAWYER – Richard F. "Dick" Sawyer, Sr., 69, of Marlborough, died Sunday, March 16 at Beth Israel Hospital-Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. Members of his family include his son, Dr. Richard F. Sawyer, Jr. and his wife, Ellen, of Andover.

SPATOLA – Carmelo C. "Mandy" Spatola, 89, of Lawrence, died Monday, March 17 at Lawrence General Hospital. Members of his family include his brother, Alfredo Spatola of Andover.

VERNILE – Thomas J. Vernile, 55, of Methuen, died suddenly Thursday, March 13 at his home. Members of his family include his cousin, Richard Kirkham of Andover.

Debra R. Harriman

Lifelong area resident

Debra R. Harriman, 47, of Andover, died Friday, March 14 at home.

Born in Lawrence, Ms. Harriman had been an area resident all of her life.

She was a certified nurse's aide at the Town Manor Nursing Home.

Members of her family include sisters, Mary Scione of Methuen, Terry Brabant of Tewksbury, Cheryl Kim of Andover and Robin Harriman of Andover; a brother, Herbert C. Harriman Jr. of Bradford; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arrangements were by Racicot Funeral Home, 256 Broadway, Lawrence. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Lawrence.

Miriam Mufson

Member of Temple Emanuel, belonged to Spade & Trowel Garden Club

Miriam (Seif) Mufson, 76, of Andover, died Thursday, March 13 at Community Hospice House in Merrimack, N.H.

Born and raised in New York City, she moved to Andover with her husband in 1961.

Mrs. Mufson was a member of Temple Emanuel and the Spade & Trowel Garden Club.

She was the widow of Paul Mufson.

Members of her family include her son, Neil Mufson and his wife Beth of Easton, Md.; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was the mother of the late Nina Rosen, and grandmother of the late Amelia Mufson.

Memorial week was private.

Arrangements were by Goldman Fisher Funeral Chapel, 174 Ferry St., Methuen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Community Hospice House, 210 Naticook Road, Merrimack, NH 03054; or the Jimmy Fund for Cancer Research, 10 Brookline Place West, Floor 6, Brookline, MA 02445.

Liam J. Dempsey

Infant son

Liam Joseph Dempsey, infant son of Gerald and Margaret Mary (Kearney) Dempsey of Andover, died Thursday, March 13 at home. He was 9 weeks old.

In addition to his parents, family members include his maternal grandparents, Thomas and Sharon Kearney of Long Island, N.Y.; his paternal grandmother, Kathleen Dempsey of Dublin, Ireland; and siblings, Conor, Claire and Gavin Dempsey, all of Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to the SIDS Foundation.

There were no calling hours. Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 Main St., Andover.

Ellen P. Fennessy

Calling hours are today

Ellen P. Fennessy, 90, of Andover, died Monday, March 17 at the Meadows Health Center in North Andover.

She worked at Western Electric for 21 years.

Born in Ballymore Cobb, County Cork, Ireland, she attended the Christian Brothers School in Queenstown, Ireland, and Lawrence Evening High School.

She moved to this country in 1929 and lived in Lawrence for most of her life before moving to Andover in 1992.

Ms. Fennessy was a member of St. Mary's Parish in Lawrence and, most recently, St. Augustine's in Andover. She was also a member of the Saint Claire League of Catholic Women.

Members of her family include several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, March 20 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. A funeral Mass will follow at 11 a.m. at Saint Mary's Church, Lawrence. Burial will be in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Florence Crittinton League Adoption Agency, 119 Hall St., Lowell, MA 01854; or the Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843.

Alfreda M. Skop

Was an insurance supervisor

Alfreda M. (Mazur) Skop, 81, of Andover, died Monday, March 17 at Lawrence General Hospital in Lawrence.

She worked in the purchasing department of Congoleum Co. and was an insurance supervisor for the Andover Companies in Andover.

She also worked in chemical research for the Pacific Mills in Lawrence.

Born and educated in Lawrence, she graduated from Lawrence High School in 1939, attended Burdett College and graduated from the Wilfred Academy in Boston.

Mrs. Skop was a member of Holy Trinity Church in Lawrence, and a former member of the Methuen Senior Center.

She was the widow of Joseph S. Skop.

Members of her family include a stepdaughter, Sandra A. McDermott and her husband John of Methuen; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be private. Burial will be in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Boles Memorial-Baron-McAuliffe-Yameen Funeral Home, 184 Jackson St., Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Holy Trinity Church, 30 Trinity St., Lawrence, MA 01841; the Methuen Senior Center, 77 Lowell St., Methuen, MA 01844; or Lawrence General Hospital, 1 General St., Lawrence, MA 01840.

Thomas E. Clark IV

Born in Andover

Thomas E. Clark IV, 23, of Rye, N.H., died Saturday, March 15 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital in Portsmouth, N.H.

He was born in Andover and attended St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers, the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada, and Hudson Valley Community College.

Members of his family include his mother, Ruth Bell Clark and her husband Lee Sapienza of Petersburg, N.Y.; father, Thomas E. Clark III and his wife Annette of Longmeadow; brother, Patrick Bell Clark of Portland, Ore.; paternal grandparents, Thomas and H. Virginia Clark of Avon, Conn.; and maternal grandmother, Evelyn L. Bell of Methuen.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, March 20 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated tomorrow, Friday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Theresa's Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, 22 Plymouth St., Methuen.

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SCHOOL TALK

Sanborn School will hold its Scholastic Book Fair Family Night on Wednesday, April 2, from 3 to 7:30.

The entire community is invited to stop by and choose from dozens of children's books that will be on sale, including an opportunity to pre-purchase the new Harry Potter book, *In The Order of the Phoenix*.

With the order comes a Harry Potter hat, a certificate from Scholastic Books and an invitation to a party that Scholastic Books will host on the day of the book's publication.

For more information, contact the school at 978-623-8860.

The Father/Daughter Dance at **High Plain Elementary School** will be held in the gymnasium and cafeteria Friday, April 4, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Cost is $25 for each father/daughter pair, and $5 for each additional daughter, which includes corsage for the daughter, and a photo of the father with his daughters.

Highlights include music and games with a live DJ and refreshments.

Checks are payable to High Plain Elementary PTO; organizers ask that envelopes be marked "Father/Daughter Dance" and be directed to Lisa Dunne, care of the school.

For more information or to volunteer, call 978-749-7132.

The International Academic Partnership (IAP) and **the Phillips Academy class of 1970** will present a symposium, "The Gap Is Growing: Our Global Development Challenge," on Friday, April 4, and Saturday, April 5.

The public is invited to attend the free event, which will begin with a benefit showing of the film *The Year of Living Dangerously*, at 6:30 p.m. April 4 in Kemper Auditorium, followed by a discussion of human rights led by Phillips Academy's Center for Global Justice.

Saturday's events will begin with a keynote panel at 10:30 a.m. in Commons dining hall. Guest speakers include **Douglas Adler** '70, Import-Export Bank; **Nata Duvvury**, International Center for Research on Women; **James Galbraith** '70, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas; and **James Steinberg** '70, Brookings Institution.

Following the panel, stu-

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Big school – smaller feel?

Some Andover High students feel connected with advisory program in place

By Ben Hellman

Moral dilemma: A babysitter is caught stealing $500 from the children she is watching.

The money was taken from a large change jar into which the parents empty their pockets every day. The children, 4 and 8 years old, say they spent the afternoon counting change and then went to the bank with the babysitter. The girl later confesses she needed the money to support a friend's drug problem. What should the parents do?

Jeff Lu

The situation is real and it made for engaging discussion for a group of Andover High School students Tuesday morning as part of the school's new advisory program.

The program combines students from all four grades in groups of 15 to have discussions twice a week. The plan is to foster communication and community in a large and potentially impersonal school, says Principal Peter Anderson.

Students in Ruth Masters' advisory group sit in an alcove in the Collins Center, some in chairs, most on the carpeted floor. A box of donuts is handed around the group – it was student Candy Kashala's turn to buy.

Alia Hastings

For some students the problem is black and white. "Press charges," said tenth-grader Juan Gonzalves. Masters, the real-life victim of the crime, counters that she wanted the girl to learn a lesson. She chose to require the girl to get counseling and repay the money.

Masters asks her students how she should explain the situation to her kids, who adored the babysitter. Gonzalves suggests telling the kids that their babysitter is sick for the first week and breaking it to them later. They ran into the babysitter at the mall over the weekend, says Masters.

Some students suggest not telling the children that the crime took place, so that they won't learn to mistrust people. "They saw the police come to the house," said Masters.

One student, senior Mark Shurman, cuts through the situation to make his own observation. "No offense. You shouldn't have put all that change in that jar," he said.

The story gave rise to an open-ended conversation about honesty. Cheating, plagiarizing, and stealing were compared and discussed. Masters asked the students what they considered to be wrong.

Junior Charlene Fielding is a cashier and once accidentally gave a customer a $10 bill instead of a five. The customer brought it back, but she would have had to pay the difference out of her pocket otherwise. She's resolved never to take advantage of such a situation and to return the money if someone gave her extra change. "I'd feel so bad if I didn't," she said.

Students in Ruth Masters' advisory group gather in the Collins Center to discuss moral complexities.

Teacher Mary Robb

Kashala, another junior and recent transfer to AHS, said she had $200 and her father's credit card stolen from a school van during one of her track meets. "I was really (ticked) off," said Kashala.

The advisories have met six times so far. Students and teachers who created the advisories say different groups are reacting differently.

"My advisory is very quiet, still," said 10th-grader Kristen Pinksten. Masters' group doesn't have that problem.

"We gelled really fast," said Masters.

Senior Alia Hastings said some of the seniors have met the advisories with resistance. She called it the "senior dilemma." "It's the hello, goodbye thing. I think that's difficult whether they say so or not," she said. The seniors in Masters' group did participate in the discussion.

Student advisories are the brainchild of the Small Schools Committee, a group of parents, students and teachers trying to make AHS a more personal place.

Anderson says that with teachers and students learning as they go, some are having great success while others are struggling with the advisories.

Anderson says he expected this sort of performance from the new program. He said advisories will be evaluated in June. At that time the program could be altered, scrapped or continued as is.

What's Up: A student view of the AHS advisory program

By Kyra Auffermann
WHAT'S UP Intern

The morning Andover High School's advisory program was introduced, Eagle 8 News, the school's student-produced news program, aired skits about how the program was expected to impact life at AHS – beyond the much anticipated five-minute shorter classes. In an attempt to convey the goals and purpose of advisory to half-asleep teenagers (it was 9 a.m., after all) the "after advisory" segments depicted instant new best friends laughing in the library, and eager students rushing to school before the tardy bell has rung.

It's about a month after the initial introduction of advisory, and, needless to say, that hasn't quite happened yet. Currently, the 25-minute biweekly sessions, held Tuesdays and Fridays, tend to consist of bagels, some talk of current events and that degree of awkwardness only found in high school. Since this is a new concept for teachers and students at AHS, the expectations are unclear. While faculty members are hoping upperclassmen seize the chance to become leaders within their groups, not many have progressed past the initial name-game phase.

Despite the slow start, there is still optimism about the future of advisories. "You can see a higher comfort level now as opposed to when they first started," says Mike Marcoux, a guidance counselor at AHS. Highlighting the potential of the program, two groups have challenged each other to "advisory wars," which consist of two advisories challenging each other to a trivia contest. The losing team has to provide the winner with advisory breakfast next session.

Many students still feel bored and apathetic regarding their advisories, however.

"We don't do anything. Last advisory, my adviser read the announcements for 20 minutes, then we ate chocolate chip cookies for the last 10 minutes. It's fun, but I don't think it's accomplishing what it intended to do," says one freshman, who is remaining anonymous to protect the student's adviser.

The advisory program's faults are hard to pinpoint, as the experience varies throughout the school. Commonly cited issues, however, include time restraints, noncommittal teachers, and the fact that, as senior Andre Perron says, "no one talks!"

There is both pro- and anti-advisory sentiment, with genuinely positive feedback beyond the expected "Hey, this is better than graphic design/biology/French," which is a common endorsement.

Keriann Bartley, a junior, enthusiastically supports the program saying, "I think it's a really positive opportunity and that if kids have an open mind and take advantage of the situation, we will all reap the benefits."

She believes the experience will improve when kids start to overcome their nervousness and inhibitions to open up.

With a school as huge and as overwhelming as Andover High, any program that could bring the student body together is worth the effort involved.

Many recognize that the relationships advisory hopes to foster won't happen overnight.

"Advisory is a good attempt at making the school closer," says sophomore Ayesha Rabbani, "and will eventually work if we give it time to develop."

▶ *WHAT'S UP is written by kids for kids.*

9 AHS marketing students qualify for international conference

Andover High School qualified nine students for the International Marketing Conference, which will be held in Orlando, Fla. at the end of April. This was the 25th consecutive year that AHS qualified students for national competition. Finishing in the top three spots in their respective categories are, first place: Kristina Araujo, Eric Draper, and Jeanne Lothrop. In second place: Jake Kleinman and Scott Kahan. Finishing in tthird place overall in the states were Kate Gladstein, Sloan McCauley, Cory Rillahan and Amanze Ibe.

Andover High School also had 20 out of the 36 competitors qualify in the top overall in their marketing categories. Students during the three-day conference competed in two written tests and two "role-play" situations, which directly related to their chosen category.

Many students who received trophies, plaques, medallions, and certificates during the two day award ceremony.

Jo Ann Samra and Joe Spanos, the DECA advisers, noted the dedication and professionalism of all competitors, they said.

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WHAT'S UP

With economy slumping, students see changes looming next school year

By Courtney Ellison

With the downturn in the economy and talk about cuts being made from the school budget, many students at Andover High School are asking how their routine school life will be effected next year.

Andover High Principal Peter Anderson was willing to answer a few questions about what students should expect in the school year 2003-04.

In December 2002, students, teachers, parents, and other members of the Andover community gathered to discuss what should be the core concern of the Andover public school system.

All agreed that the most important things they wanted to see saved from budget cuts were teachers, academics, and different levels of academics offered to students, such as AP classes. With these concerns in mind, Anderson was able to provide a forecast for what changes will be made at Andover High. He said there will be three main consequences for students due to budget cuts.

First, students should expect to see 10.6 positions within the high school cut for the next school year. Although he would not give specific names of teachers cut, Anderson did say areas considered "non-core" will be among those eliminated. Health, physical education, art, and applied technology will be the areas that are hit the hardest.

In addition, one world-language teacher will not be returning next year, and an English teacher who is retiring will not be replaced. There will also be a reduction in the number of aides and custodians.

Anderson said that because 82 percent of the budget pays for people and $730,000 must be saved, he had no choice but to let these teachers go.

On a student level, however, that means that someone who has been considered a mentor and has offered guidance to teenagers throughout the years may be gone. Anderson acknowledges that, for some students, there will be important relationships and chemistries lost.

Teenagers at Andover High will also not be able to take 7.5 credits.

In other words, every student will take on an additional study hall, and advanced art and computer classes will no longer be offered, such as advanced photography.

Not only will students have to adjust to the changes made during school, their parents will also have to provide money for the new costs of bus transportation.

Anderson predicted bus transportation will cost $200 to $250.

Parking fees will also quadruple from just $25 to $100. (*See related story, at left.*)

Unless students have their parents drive them to school both ways, or they walk, these new fees will make an impact on family budgets.

▶ *Courtney Ellison is an Andover High sophomore who spent last Friday at the* Townsman *as part of a job-shadowing program.*

Paying more to park at AHS

Students are expecting to pay a $100 fee next year to drive and park at Andover High. This is a large increase from this year's $25 fee.

Kelsey Handstad

Doug Brown

Kelsey Handstad, a junior at AHS, says "It's a good idea as long as they enforce who parks there. It will stink if we have to pay $100 and someone takes my spot."

Another junior at AHS, Doug Brown, says "I'll still pay because I might need the space next year if I want to drive to school. And I'd rather pay and be able to drive than take the bus."

Carrie Dettee

Alissa Benham

PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Other students at AHS, like freshmen, who will still be taking the bus next year don't feel the same way.

"There must be other ways to save money than to charge kids to take the bus," Carrie Dettee, a freshman, says.

Alissa Benham agrees. "I think there are definitely better ways to save money. Some people don't take the bus both ways anyway, so it's not fair to make them pay," she says.

The increase of parking fees and the new bus fees are consequences of the budget cuts, along with cuts of teaching positions.

– Courtney Ellison

For the record

Due to a reporting error in "Industrial arts on the chopping block" in the March 6 edition, it was stated that all funding to integrated arts would be cut if the superintendent's budget was approved. The integrated arts program will change at the middle schools because of budget cuts, but will not be eliminated. All funding to industrial arts will be cut.

ON CAMPUS

John Herling of Andover enrolled in the Golf Academy of the San Diego in January and is expected to graduate in April 2004.

He graduated from Andover High School and played on the AHS golf team.

Upon earning his SDGA associate's degree, he will seek employment in the golf industry.

At present, Herling is interested in the playing and teaching aspects of the golf industry. Upon graduation he will have completed the golf complex operations and management curriculum.

For the first time in 24 years, Andover High School sent two students to the All-Eastern Honors Chorus in Providence, R.I., earlier this month.

Eileen Lenore Parsons and **Jeffrey Clark Smidt** were two of 30 students sent to represent Massachusetts in this elite ensemble. A total of 340 students from the six New England states plus New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland had the honor of taking part in the chorus, during the trip, March 6-9.

Sunday afternoon's performance cumulated four days of intensive rehearsals and several events celebrating music appreciation. Their conductor was Dr. Simon Carrington, the director of choral activities at the New England Conservatory in Boston, and a founding member of the internationally acclaimed British vocal ensemble The King's Singers.

The choir performed Weelkes' *Gloria in Excelsis Deo* and Holzbauer's *Plaudant Aetheri* in Latin, Rossini's *I Gondolieri* in Italian, Edgerton's arrangement of Bernstein's *Somewhere* from *West Side Story*, and Twine's gospel piece *Sit Down Servant*.

Selection into the choir was a multistep process. First, Parsons and Smidt auditioned for the regional District Choir. Based on their score there, they were recommended to audition for the Massachusetts All-State Choir. Accordingly, based on their All-State auditions, they were recommended to participate in the All-Eastern Honors Chorus. Applications were due for the ensemble last April, and notification finally came this past fall.

Parsons and Smidt have been familiar faces in the performing arts around Andover. They have both worked in many seasons of Merrimack Junior Theater, under the direction of Josie Walker, and actually played against one another in their final MJT musical, *The Boyfriend*, in the spring of 2001.

Most recently, Parsons played Fantine and Smidt played Javert in Andover High's production of *Les Misérables*.

Parsons will attend New York University, and Smidt will enroll at Colgate University in the fall.

Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa. has released the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2002-03 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition.

Students from Andover are **Matthew T. Spitzer**, son of Thomas and Joan Spitzer; **Adam D. Turbett**, son of Timothy and Nancy Turbett; and **Katherine M. Weaver**, daughter of John and Nedra Weaver.

Leslie Janet Nichols has been named to the dean's list for academic accomplishment for the fall 2002 semester at Kutztown University in Kutztown, Pa.

Nichols, a sophomore student majoring in electronic media, achieved a 3.8 average on a 4.0 scale. She is the daughter of Arthur and Pamela Nichols of 11 Starwood Crossing.

Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn., has announced the names of students who qualified for the dean's list. To be selected a student must attain a grade point average of at least 3.5 of a possible 4.0.

Alison P. Marshall, a resident of Andover and the daughter of William J. Marshall, was named to the dean's list, with a 4.0 GPA. Marshall is majoring in English at Fairfield University with a minor in education, and is also active in the glee club, choir and peer-to-peer tutoring.

A graduate of Reading Memorial High School in Reading, Marshall plans a career in teaching.

Karen McArdle-Guthrie of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester at Rivier College in Nashua, N.H.

Corey Mark Dennis, a sophomore majoring in business administration at the College of Business and Economics, University of Delaware, has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester.

Named to the dean's list are full-time students with grade point averages of 3.33 or above (on a 4.00 scale) for the semester, with no temporary grades.

Sikanyiselwe S. Maqubela, son of Temba and Vuyelwa Maqubela of Andover, has been named a finalist in the 2003 National Achievement Scholarship Program, a privately financed academic competition that honors outstanding black American students. The selection of 775 Achievement Scholarship winners nationwide from the finalist group is now in progress. Recipients of National Achievement Scholarships and corporate-sponsored awards will be announced in late March.

Nicole Marie Stavropoulos, a junior majoring in psychology at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., is participating in the college's study abroad science program in Brisbane, Australia, for the 2002-03 academic year.

A graduate of Andover High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nickolas Stavropoulos of Andover.

Jason J. Swift of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester at Champlain College in Burlington, Vt.

Swift is the son of Jeffrey and Betty Swift, and a graduate of Andover High School. He is enrolled in Champlain's business program.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.5 and complete at least 12 credits of classwork during the semester.

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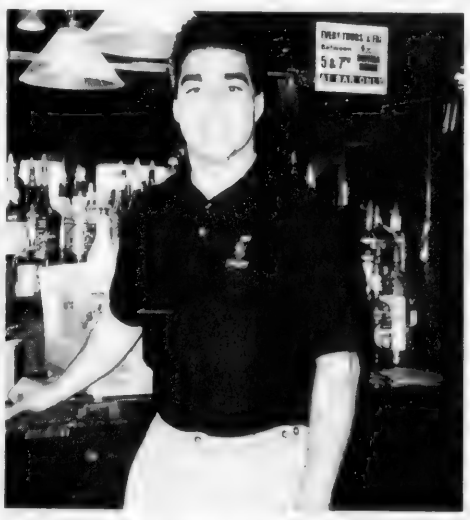

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Located over the Willows Racquet Club on Rte. 114, **Culpeppers** has been a North Andover institution for over 15 years. Jimmy Tringale, along with his partners Tom and Ron Rossi, has owned and operated the restaurant for 4 years now. With over 11 years of experience in the food and beverage business, Jimmy loves to develop new specialties. He now offers pulled pork, smoked brisket, smoked half chicken, and baby back ribs, all cooked to perfection in his smoker. His recently introduced Fajitas continue to be a huge hit. The number one seller at **Culpeppers** is the 8 oz charbroiled burger prepared from fresh lean ground beef with a variety of mouthwatering garnishes. The charbroiled steaks and chicken, also prepared in a variety of styles, feature 16 oz. NY strip steak and choice chicken breasts. The menu includes lighter fare such as pasta dishes, sandwiches, wraps, soups, and salads. The chefs have a delicate touch with the seafood, whether preparing scallops, haddock, or a choice piece of tuna, salmon, or swordfish. The appetizers are in a class by themselves with 20-cent buffalo wings a big attraction at the bar from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

Culpeppers is available for private functions and provides in-house catering. Full menu take out is available.

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ON CAMPUS

■ HOLY CROSS

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Leahy, Katharine Buckley and **Brian Mulligan**, all second-year students at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, have been named to the dean's list for the first semester of the 2002-03 academic year.

Bobek is the daughter of Robert and Christine Bobek. She is majoring in English and political science.

Leahy is the daughter of Meg and Joe Leahy. She is majoring in math.

Buckley is the daughter of Gary and Susan Buckley. She is majoring in history.

Mulligan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mulligan. He is majoring in economics.

Adam Edelstein, a freshman at Rennselear Polytechnic Institute, made the dean's list for the first semester.

His parents are Beth and Peter Edelstein of Andover.

Benjamin David Atkins, Eleanor Carol Browne, Matthew Paul Antaya and **Tommy John McLaughlin**, all of Andover, were recently named to the dean's list at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. for the fall 2002 semester.

In order to achieve dean's list status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student in the School of Arts and Sciences must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 quality point average during the semester.

New Hampshire Community Technical College in Laconia announced the president's and vice president's lists for the fall session ending in December. The president's list, designating a 3.75 grade-point average (GPA) or above, is the highest honor a student can achieve.

The president's list included **Richard Krafton** of Andover, majoring in fire investigation.

Rachelle Dennis, Bob Filbin, Amanda Camelio and **Caroline Caverly** of Andover are recipients of the dean's award for academic excellence during the fall 2002 semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y.

Dennis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dennis. She is a member of the class of 2006 and is a 2002 graduate of Governor Dummer Academy.

Filbin is the son of John and Carol Filbin. He is a member of the class of 2005 and is a 2001 graduate of Andover High School. He is concentrating in geology at Colgate.

He is also a producer and has a radio show at Colgate's radio station, WRCU.

Camelio is the daughter of Vin and Marilyn Camelio. She is a member of the class of 2005, and is a 2001 graduate of Andover High School. She is concentrating in social studies at Colgate.

Camelio is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Colgate Chapter of the National Scholastic Honor Society and a part-time DJ at WRCU Colgate Radio.

Caverly is the daughter of Timothy and Isabelle Caverly of Andover and Luxembourg. She is a member of the class of 2006 and is a 2002 graduate of The International School of Luxembourg. She is concentrating in International Relations at Colgate.

Caverly attended West Elementary and Doherty Middle schools before moving to Luxembourg.

To be eligible for the dean's award, a Colgate student must achieve a 3.30 or higher average while carrying a full course load of four courses per semester.

The academic achievements of undergraduates at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. have been honored with publication of the fall 2002 dean's list.

Laura Julia Goldstein was named to the dean's list. She is the daughter of Gary and Janice Goldstein.

Jenny Detterman, a member of the class of 2004 at Skidmore College, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., has earned honors for the fall semester. She is the daughter of Daniel and Karen Detterman of Andover.

Honors are awarded for a grade point ration of 3.4 to 3.6 from a possible 4.0.

Local residents **Robin Harrold, Christine Lentz** and **Susan Teperow** were named to Quinnipiac University's dean's list for the fall 2002 semester:

SCHOOL TALK

■ SYMPOSIUM APRIL 4 & 5 AT PHILLIPS ACADEMY

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dent research presentations and panel discussions will be held in Kemper Auditorium: "Gender Across the Continents" at 11:30 a.m.; "Africa and the World" at 12:30 p.m.; "Calculated Rage: The Effects of Religious Conflict" at 1:30 p.m.; and "Global Economics" at 2:30 p.m

A bazaar of art, food, music and culture of Africa, Asia and Latin America and a fair of community service groups devoted to human rights in developing nations will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Underwood Room

IAP Director **Christopher L. Shaw** '78 will give closing remarks at a reception at 3:30 p.m. in the Underwood Room.

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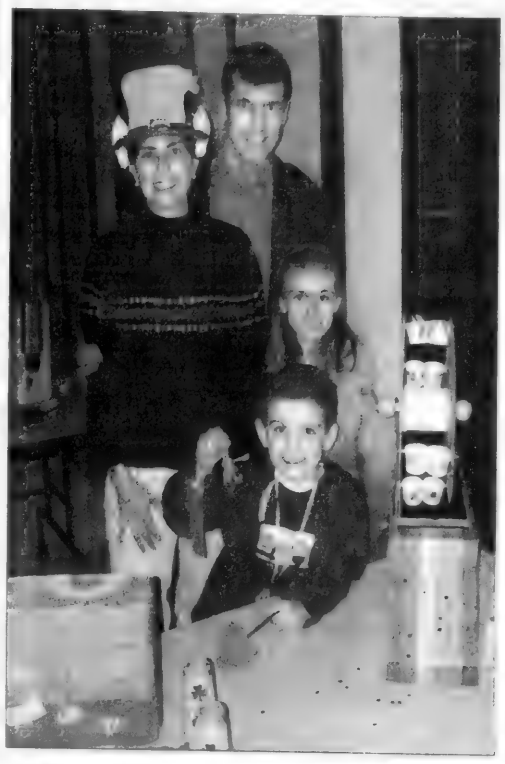

Last Thursday, March 13, the Sanborn School kindergarten class had its 5th Annual Leprechaun Trap Fair. Forty-nine kindergartners classes made traps to catch a leprechaun in time for St. Patrick's Day on Monday. Pictured here in front of his trap is kindergartner Scott MacDonald with his parents, Jodi and Ken MacDonald, and sister, Amanda.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, March 24-28:

Elementary schools

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, pizza stick with soft pretzel, hot dog on a roll, green beans, pineapple and milk. Luck tray day.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, bakery pizza, waffles with ham and syrup, blueberries, wax beans and milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub, pizza ring with pizza sauce, nachos with taco, meat and cheese, corn, pears and milk.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, mozzarella sticks, french toast with sausage, mashed potato, applesauce, milk and pudding for dessert.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, pizza, baked chicken nuggets, potato puffs, strawberries and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, baked chicken nuggets, nachos with taco, meat and cheese sauce, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, mozzarella sticks, with marinara sauce, steak and cheese sub, peas, peaches and milk.

Wednesday: Two egg McMuffins, two hot dogs, bakery pizza, potato puffs, fruit, milk and pudding.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, cheeseburger with chips, french toast sticks with sausage, green beans, pineapple and milk.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, baked chicken nuggets, bakery pizza, corn, strawberries and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, chicken, broccoli and ziti, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, penne with meat sauce, stuffed crust pizza, peas, peaches and milk.

Wednesday: Two egg McMuffins, spaghetti ilio olio, bakery pizza, potato puffs, fruit, milk and pudding for dessert.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, American chop suey, stuffed crust pizza, green beans, pineapple and milk.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, spaghetti and meatballs, bakery pizza, corn, strawberries and milk.

Menus subject to change. Lunch prices are: Elementary student $1.50; adult $2.25. Secondary student $1.75 or $2.50; adult $2.50 or $3.25.

Questions? Call Karen Pappa at 978-623-8623.

Middle-school students invited to Andona's Spring Fling

The Andona Society getting ready to host Spring Fling 2003, its annual event for middle-school students.

This fun-filled evening is set for Saturday, April 5, from 7:15 to 10:30 p.m. at the Andover-/North Andover YMCA.

This event is open to students in grades 6, 7, 8 attending Andover middle schools (Doherty, West, Wood Hill, Pike and St. Augustine).

Tickets are $10 and include all the activities.

There will be pizza, snacks, a DJ and dancing, door prizes, raffles, bungee run, gigantic boxing, swimming and mat room fun.

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WHAT'S UP

With economy slumping, students see changes looming next school year

By Courtney Ellison

With the downturn in the economy and talk about cuts being made from the school budget, many students at Andover High School are asking how their routine school life will be effected next year.

Andover High Principal Peter Anderson was willing to answer a few questions about what students should expect in the school year 2003-04.

In December 2002, students, teachers, parents, and other members of the Andover community gathered to discuss what should be the core concern of the Andover public school system.

All agreed that the most important things they wanted to see saved from budget cuts were teachers, academics, and different levels of academics offered to students, such as AP classes. With these concerns in mind, Anderson was able to provide a forecast for what changes will be made at Andover High. He said there will be three main consequences for students due to budget cuts.

First, students should expect to see 10.6 positions within the high school cut for the next school year. Although he would not give specific names of teachers cut, Anderson did say areas considered "non-core" will be among those eliminated. Health, physical education, art, and applied technology will be the areas that are hit the hardest.

In addition, one world-language teacher will not be returning next year, and an English teacher who is retiring will not be replaced. There will also be a reduction in the number of aides and custodians.

Anderson said that because 82 percent of the budget pays for people and $730,000 must be saved, he had no choice but to let these teachers go.

On a student level, however, that means that someone who has been considered a mentor and has offered guidance to teenagers throughout the years may be gone. Anderson acknowledges that, for some students, there will be important relationships and chemistries lost.

Teenagers at Andover High will also not be able to take 7.5 credits.

In other words, every student will take on an additional study hall, and advanced art and computer classes will no longer be offered, such as advanced photography.

Not only will students have to adjust to the changes made during school, their parents will also have to provide money for the new costs of bus transportation.

Anderson predicted bus transportation will cost $200 to $250.

Parking fees will also quadruple from just $25 to $100. (*See related story, at left.*)

Unless students have their parents drive them to school both ways, or they walk, these new fees will make an impact on family budgets.

▶ *Courtney Ellison is an Andover High sophomore who spent last Friday at the* Townsman *as part of a job-shadowing program.*

Paying more to park at AHS

Students are expecting to pay a $100 fee next year to drive and park at Andover High. This is a large increase from this year's $25 fee.

Kelsey Handstad

Doug Brown

Kelsey Handstad, a junior at AHS, says "It's a good idea as long as they enforce who parks there. It will stink if we have to pay $100 and someone takes my spot."

Another junior at AHS, Doug Brown, says "I'll still pay because I might need the space next year if I want to drive to school. And I'd rather pay and be able to drive than take the bus."

Carrie Dettee

Alissa Benham

PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Other students at AHS, like freshmen, who will still be taking the bus next year don't feel the same way.

"There must be other ways to save money than to charge kids to take the bus," Carrie Dettee, a freshman, says.

Alissa Benham agrees. "I think there are definitely better ways to save money. Some people don't take the bus both ways anyway, so it's not fair to make them pay," she says.

The increase of parking fees and the new bus fees are consequences of the budget cuts, along with cuts of teaching positions.

– Courtney Ellison

For the record

Due to a reporting error in "Industrial arts on the chopping block" in the March 6 edition, it was stated that all funding to integrated arts would be cut if the superintendent's budget was approved. The integrated arts program will change at the middle schools because of budget cuts, but will not be eliminated. All funding to industrial arts will be cut.

ON CAMPUS

John Herling of Andover enrolled in the Golf Academy of the San Diego in January and is expected to graduate in April 2004.

He graduated from Andover High School and played on the AHS golf team.

Upon earning his SDGA associate's degree, he will seek employment in the golf industry.

At present, Herling is interested in the playing and teaching aspects of the golf industry. Upon graduation he will have completed the golf complex operations and management curriculum.

For the first time in 24 years, Andover High School sent two students to the All-Eastern Honors Chorus in Providence, R.I., earlier this month.

Eileen Lenore Parsons and **Jeffrey Clark Smidt** were two of 30 students sent to represent Massachusetts in this elite ensemble. A total of 340 students from the six New England states plus New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland had the honor of taking part in the chorus, during the trip, March 6-9.

Sunday afternoon's performance cumulated four days of intensive rehearsals and several events celebrating music appreciation. Their conductor was Dr. Simon Carrington, the director of choral activities at the New England Conservatory in Boston, and a founding member of the internationally acclaimed British vocal ensemble The King's Singers.

The choir performed Weelkes' *Gloria in Excelsis Deo* and Holzbauer's *Plaudant Aetheri* in Latin, Rossini's *I Gondolieri* in Italian, Edgerton's arrangement of Bernstein's *Somewhere* from *West Side Story*, and Twine's gospel piece *Sit Down Servant*.

Selection into the choir was a multistep process. First, Parsons and Smidt auditioned for the regional District Choir. Based on their score there, they were recommended to audition for the Massachusetts All-State Choir. Accordingly, based on their All-State auditions, they were recommended to participate in the All-Eastern Honors Chorus. Applications were due for the ensemble last April, and notification finally came this past fall.

Parsons and Smidt have been familiar faces in the performing arts around Andover. They have both worked in many seasons of Merrimack Junior Theater, under the direction of Josie Walker, and actually played against one another in their final MJT musical, *The Boyfriend*, in the spring of 2001.

Most recently, Parsons played Fantine and Smidt played Javert in Andover High's production of *Les Misérables*.

Parsons will attend New York University, and Smidt will enroll at Colgate University in the fall.

Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa. has released the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2002-03 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition.

Students from Andover are **Matthew T. Spitzer**, son of Thomas and Joan Spitzer; **Adam D. Turbett**, son of Timothy and Nancy Turbett; and **Katherine M. Weaver**, daughter of John and Nedra Weaver.

Leslie Janet Nichols has been named to the dean's list for academic accomplishment for the fall 2002 semester at Kutztown University in Kutztown, Pa.

Nichols, a sophomore student majoring in electronic media, achieved a 3.8 average on a 4.0 scale. She is the daughter of Arthur and Pamela Nichols of 11 Starwood Crossing.

Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn., has announced the names of students who qualified for the dean's list. To be selected a student must attain a grade point average of at least 3.5 of a possible 4.0.

Alison P. Marshall, a resident of Andover and the daughter of William J. Marshall, was named to the dean's list, with a 4.0 GPA. Marshall is majoring in English at Fairfield University with a minor in education, and is also active in the glee club, choir and peer-to-peer tutoring.

A graduate of Reading Memorial High School in Reading, Marshall plans a career in teaching.

Karen McArdle-Guthrie of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester at Rivier College in Nashua, N.H.

Corey Mark Dennis, a sophomore majoring in business administration at the College of Business and Economics, University of Delaware, has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester.

Named to the dean's list are full-time students with grade point averages of 3.33 or above (on a 4.00 scale) for the semester, with no temporary grades.

Sikanyiselwe S. Maqubela, son of Temba and Vuyelwa Maqubela of Andover, has been named a finalist in the 2003 National Achievement Scholarship Program, a privately financed academic competition that honors outstanding black American students. The selection of 775 Achievement Scholarship winners nationwide from the finalist group is now in progress. Recipients of National Achievement Scholarships and corporate-sponsored awards will be announced in late March.

Nicole Marie Stavropoulos, a junior majoring in psychology at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., is participating in the college's study abroad science program in Brisbane, Australia, for the 2002-03 academic year.

A graduate of Andover High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nickolas Stavropoulos of Andover.

Jason J. Swift of Andover has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester at Champlain College in Burlington, Vt.

Swift is the son of Jeffrey and Betty Swift, and a graduate of Andover High School. He is enrolled in Champlain's business program.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.5 and complete at least 12 credits of classwork during the semester.

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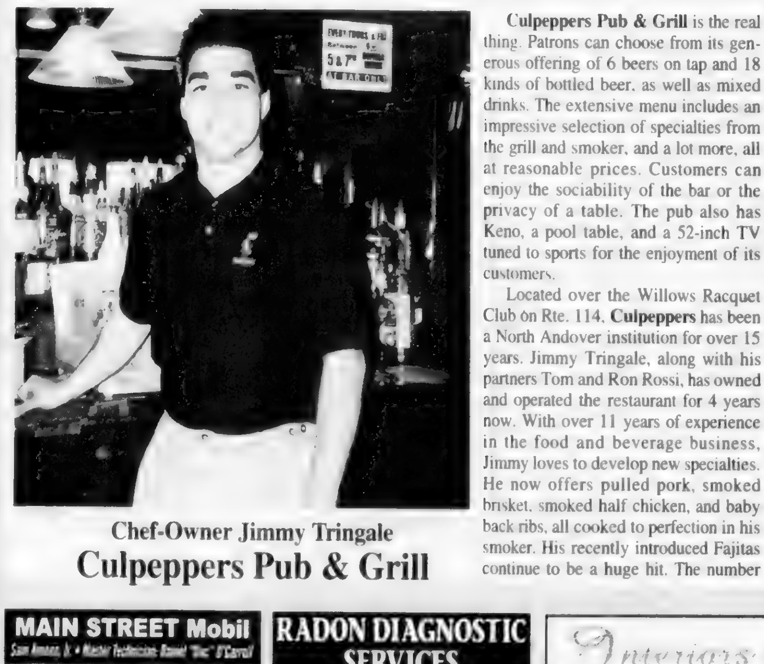

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ON CAMPUS

■ HOLY CROSS

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Leahy, Katharine Buckley and **Brian Mulligan**, all second-year students at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, have been named to the dean's list for the first semester of the 2002-03 academic year.

Bobek is the daughter of Robert and Christine Bobek. She is majoring in English and political science.

Leahy is the daughter of Meg and Joe Leahy. She is majoring in math.

Buckley is the daughter of Gary and Susan Buckley. She is majoring in history.

Mulligan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mulligan. He is majoring in economics.

Adam Edelstein, a freshman at Rennselear Polytechnic Institute, made the dean's list for the first semester.

His parents are Beth and Peter Edelstein of Andover.

Benjamin David Atkins, Eleanor Carol Browne, Matthew Paul Antaya and **Tommy John McLaughlin**, all of Andover, were recently named to the dean's list at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. for the fall 2002 semester.

In order to achieve dean's list status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student in the School of Arts and Sciences must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 quality point average during the semester.

New Hampshire Community Technical College in Laconia announced the president's and vice president's lists for the fall session ending in December. The president's list, designating a 3.75 grade-point average (GPA) or above, is the highest honor a student can achieve.

The president's list included **Richard Krafton** of Andover, majoring in fire investigation.

Rachelle Dennis, Bob Filbin, Amanda Camelio and **Caroline Caverly** of Andover are recipients of the dean's award for academic excellence during the fall 2002 semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y.

Dennis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dennis. She is a member of the class of 2006 and is a 2002 graduate of Governor Dummer Academy.

Filbin is the son of John and Carol Filbin. He is a member of the class of 2005 and is a 2001 graduate of Andover High School. He is concentrating in geology at Colgate.

He is also a producer and has a radio show at Colgate's radio station, WRCU.

Camelio is the daughter of Vin and Marilyn Camelio. She is a member of the class of 2005, and is a 2001 graduate of Andover High School. She is concentrating in social studies at Colgate.

Camelio is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Colgate Chapter of the National Scholastic Honor Society and a part-time DJ at WRCU Colgate Radio.

Caverly is the daughter of Timothy and Isabelle Caverly of Andover and Luxembourg. She is a member of the class of 2006 and is a 2002 graduate of The International School of Luxembourg. She is concentrating in International Relations at Colgate.

Caverly attended West Elementary and Doherty Middle schools before moving to Luxembourg.

To be eligible for the dean's award, a Colgate student must achieve a 3.30 or higher average while carrying a full course load of four courses per semester.

The academic achievements of undergraduates at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. have been honored with publication of the fall 2002 dean's list.

Laura Julia Goldstein was named to the dean's list. She is the daughter of Gary and Janice Goldstein.

Jenny Detterman, a member of the class of 2004 at Skidmore College, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., has earned honors for the fall semester. She is the daughter of Daniel and Karen Detterman of Andover.

Honors are awarded for a grade point ration of 3.4 to 3.6 from a possible 4.0.

Local residents **Robin Harrold, Christine Lentz** and **Susan Teperow** were named to Quinnipiac University's dean's list for the fall 2002 semester.

SCHOOL TALK

■ SYMPOSIUM APRIL 4 & 5 AT PHILLIPS ACADEMY

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dent research presentations and panel discussions will be held in Kemper Auditorium: "Gender Across the Continents" at 11:30 a.m.; "Africa and the World" at 12:30 p.m.; "Calculated Rage: The Effects of Religious Conflict" at 1:30 p.m.; and "Global Economics" at 2:30 p.m

A bazaar of art, food, music and culture of Africa, Asia and Latin America and a fair of community service groups devoted to human rights in developing nations will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Underwood Room.

IAP Director **Christopher L. Shaw** '78 will give closing remarks at a reception at 3:30 p.m. in the Underwood Room.

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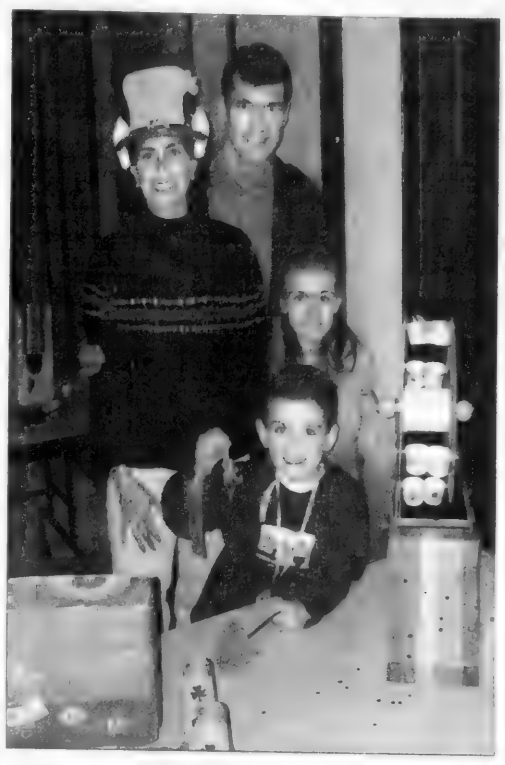

Last Thursday, March 13, the Sanborn School kindergarten class had its 5th Annual Leprechaun Trap Fair. Forty-nine kindergartners classes made traps to catch a leprechaun in time for St. Patrick's Day on Monday. Pictured here in front of his trap is kindergartner Scott MacDonald with his parents, Jodi and Ken MacDonald, and sister, Amanda.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, March 24-28:

Elementary schools

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, pizza stick with soft pretzel, hot dog on a roll, green beans, pineapple and milk. Luck tray day.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, bakery pizza, waffles with ham and syrup, blueberries, wax beans and milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub, pizza ring with pizza sauce, nachos with taco, meat and cheese, corn, pears and milk.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, mozzarella sticks, french toast with sausage, mashed potato, applesauce, milk and pudding for dessert.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, pizza, baked chicken nuggets, potato puffs, strawberries and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, baked chicken nuggets, nachos with taco, meat and cheese sauce, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, mozzarella sticks, with marinara sauce, steak and cheese sub, peas, peaches and milk.

Wednesday: Two egg McMuffins, two hot dogs, bakery pizza, potato puffs, fruit, milk and pudding.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, cheeseburger with chips, french toast sticks with sausage, green beans, pineapple and milk.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, baked chicken nuggets, bakery pizza, corn, strawberries and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Barbecue beef on a roll, chicken, broccoli and ziti, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, penne with meat sauce, stuffed crust pizza, peas, peaches and milk.

Wednesday: Two egg McMuffins, spaghetti ilio olio, bakery pizza, potato puffs, fruit, milk and pudding for dessert.

Thursday: Chicken pot pie, American chop suey, stuffed crust pizza, green beans, pineapple and milk.

Friday: Turkey bagel melt with reduced fat Cheetos, spaghetti and meatballs, bakery pizza, corn, strawberries and milk.

Menus subject to change. Lunch prices are: Elementary student $1.50; adult $2.25. Secondary student $1.75 or $2.50; adult $2.50 or $3.25.

Questions? Call Karen Pappa at 978-623-8623.

Middle-school students invited to Andona's Spring Fling

The Andona Society getting ready to host Spring Fling 2003, its annual event for middle-school students.

This fun-filled evening is set for Saturday, April 5, from 7:15 to 10:30 p.m. at the Andover-/North Andover YMCA.

This event is open to students in grades 6, 7, 8 attending Andover middle schools (Doherty, West, Wood Hill, Pike and St. Augustine).

Tickets are $10 and include all the activities.

There will be pizza, snacks, a DJ and dancing, door prizes, raffles, bungee run, gigantic boxing, swimming and mat room fun.

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Police: Two Pike students on break shot paint at public school

By Ben Hellman

Two Andover boys pleaded not delinquent after they were charged with firing a paint-ball gun at Wood Hill Middle School last Wednesday.

The boys, 12 and 13, are Pike School students, said police. They fired the paint-ball gun at a Wood Hill window and fled into the woods behind the school leading to a "protracted search," said Lt. Jim Hashem. The incident was reported at 2:16 p.m., and students witnessed the shooting and the arrival of police.

Pike School was on a two-week spring break at the time.

The boys were apprehended at the back door of a neighbor's house and were taken into custody uneventfully, said Hashem. Police officers said they followed the boys' footprints through the woods and eventually found the boys outside the house. The neighbors weren't home at the time.

Principals at Wood Hill and High Plain elementary sent letters home to parents and held an assembly to tell the students what happened. Students from both of the schools witnessed either the shooting or the arrival of police.

Teachers reported that no one seemed to be traumatized by the event, said Wood Hill principal Norah McCarthy in a letter to parents. "We assured them that they were safe and that everything was under control," said McCarthy in the letter. "Many students commented on how stupid it was to shoot a paint gun."

The boys were both formally charged with defacing property, possession of a BB gun or air rifle by a minor, disturbing a school assembly and disturbing the peace. Superintendent Claudia Bach called the event unfortunate and said that because the boys were not Andover public school students she had removed herself from the situation. She said there was no property damage. Pike Head of School John Waters was not available for comment as Pike is still on break.

POLICE LOG

■ INCIDENTS

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The boy returned with the car while the officer was there.

At 1:41 p.m., a man and woman were summonsed for possession of hypodermic needles and possession of class A and class B substances.

At 8:02 p.m., a Lancaster Place resident reported seeing a large black animal in her house. She later saw it biting at her couch and said it was a large gray animal. An officer advised her to seek an exterminator.

Monday, March 17 – At 4:02 a female reported by cell phone that a man wearing a long black shroud and carrying a walking stick avoided showing his face to her. An officer did not find the man.

Tuesday, March 18 – At 9:16 p.m. a resident coming out of a town meeting reported seeing a male smash her rear car window with a baseball bat. She described him as a heavy-set teen wearing a T-shirt and shorts. She said there were two other youths present.

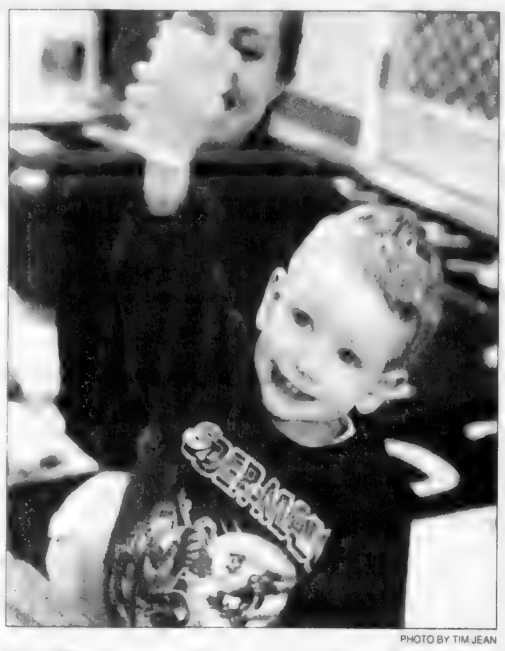
AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 12 – At 3:13 p.m., a person reported a knee injury after a two-party car accident on Lowell Street.

– Compiled by Ben Hellman

SPRING STORM

A vehicle accident on Lowell Street last Thursday was one of several during a spring snowstorm. The driver and her baby seemed OK, but were taken to the hospital as a precaution. Another car hit a snowbank on Lowell Street while safety workers were dealing with the first crash.



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Ryan Edison shows off his completed glass of milk. His preschool teacher, Sharon Sousa, is behind him.

Deadly nuts protection

■ NO PEANUTS

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control the sorts of foods that come into the building. Soybean butter, which has the look and texture of peanut butter, is substituted in their sandwiches.

But the rules have to be stricter than that. Ryan was coming home with rashes every day, so director Tara Fitzgibbons called all of the parents to ask that their children avoid eating anything with peanut in it before coming to school.

Some of the teachers at Next Generation have stopped wearing perfume because nut oil is often an ingredient. Children can't bring food to the day care that hasn't been authorized by the director.

Ryan carries two epinephrine injections that should offer him up to 40 minutes of grace time before emergency personnel could arrive in the event of a reaction.

In addition to hives, vomiting and constricting of his air passageway, Ryan's blood pressure drops drastically. Epinephrine jolts his system and could keep him alive until an ambulance reached the scene.

Edison says the new drug could give Ryan the tolerance to eat the equivalent of nine peanuts, which would be a drastic improvement to his condition.

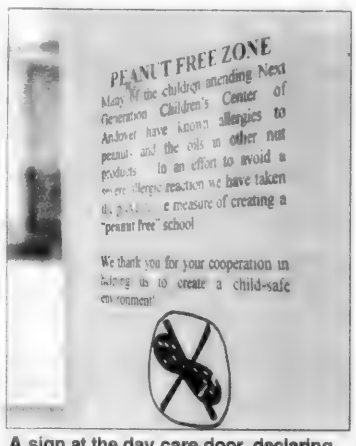
There were always signs that something was medically unusual with Ryan. He was born covered "head to toe" with eczema, says Edison. Projectile vomiting was diagnosed as colic by his doctor. But when Ryan was 18-months-old and given a peanut-butter cup, it because clear that peanut butter was the problem.

"He spat it right out. There's this sense of doom immediately for people with peanut allergy," says Edison. As Ryan's air passage began to close up, Edison says he cried out "Mommy, breathe."

Ryan hasn't had a reaction since Fitzgibbons asked parents to keep their children off peanuts. Because peanut allergies can grow in severity with age, Edison doesn't know what an accidental exposure to peanuts would do to Ryan. "You don't know and you don't want to know," she says.

She hopes the new drug will be available in the short term so that Ryan will be able to attend public school, but for now, she is grateful that Ryan's day care has responded to his allergy so thoroughly.

"Without Next Generation, Ryan would have no little friends to play with. There would be no other environment where he would be safe. Now our 3-year-old can be like other 3-year-olds," says Edison.



A sign at the day care door, declaring the school a "peanut free zone."

Town manager also ready to consider consolidating tech

By Ben Hellman

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says he "would love to talk about" consolidating town- and school-side technology departments into one department, an idea Schools Superintendent Claudia Bach has already supported discussing.

Through consolidation, Andover might be able to cut seven technology positions, for a savings of approximately $500,000, School Committee member Christopher Smith said at a recent meeting.

Stapczynski and Selectman Brian Major say they don't know if the town would save money in such a move, but believe it could streamline the system. Stapczynski says a complete consolidation could take two to three years. Major suggests it could be completed in fiscal year 2006. Town Meeting will vote on the FY04 budget next month.

Brookline is one town that has consolidated its technology systems. It hired Patrick Cafferty as chief information officer, an administrator who answers to both the superintendent and the town manager, to run the department. Cafferty has been in his new position for only five weeks and says his job is to make Brookline's departments run more efficiently, and to bring the town and school sides together.

Brookline officials hope consolidation will help the town save money on technology purchases and cut down on consultants and contracts. Positions have not been eliminated yet, but as employees retire the town will decide whether to hire new people, Cafferty says.

Cafferty came on board after a two-year study conducted by an outside consulting company, Pacific Technologies Inc. The 167-page study is available on the town of Brookline's Web site, and can be downloaded.

Cafferty says the study and cooperation of the town's senior management were important for the success of the consolidation and for him to be interested in the job. He says department heads need to believe the change will make their departments more efficient.

The Brookline public school system has one high school and eight elementary schools. There are 5,931 students, compared to Andover's 6,047.

Early retirement benefit for veterans

By Andrea Gregory

As of April 1, Andover town employees who served in the military will no longer have to work 10 years for the town before being able to buy back years of service they can use to retire early.

Elena Kothman, Andover retirement administrator, says accumulation of additional years doesn't have to mean early retirement and a lot of people take advantage of this to boost the retirement package they'll get in the future. All municipal employees who are 55 need to have worked 10 years in order to retire. Twenty years of town work will allow for retirement at any age, but she says the more years people work, the more they'll benefit when they retire; buying back years helps to boost any retirement package and not necessarily shorten the years someone will work.

"They're not actually buying it back from anyone," Kothman says. "It's an annuity savings."

The money is paid to the Andover retirement system. She says all the money put in will make up a portion of one's monthly retirement allowance. The price of service years is determined by taking 10 percent of a veteran's annual, starting salary with the town and then multiplying it by the number of years being bought back.

During a special Town Meeting on Oct. 23, 1996, Andover decided to adopt a law giving veterans who have worked 10 years as town employees the opportunity to buy back up to four years of service. Employees had to make their early-retirement buy-back decision within a 180-day window.

In 2002, the state legislature decided to drop the 10-year requirement. The state legislation changing the rules for early retirement in Andover will not require a decision by selectmen or Town Meeting to be adopted. This new policy goes into effect April 1, no matter what.

To be recognized as an eligible veteran by Massachusetts, people had to serve during active wartime. But Director of Veteran Services John Doherty says anyone who has served since the Gulf War is eligible since officially America has been involved in active wartime since 1991, in the eyes of the federal government.

"Congress never declared an end to it," Doherty says.

The new policy, in effect on April 1, will come with the same 180-day window for all town-employed veteran to buy back service.

"It's a done deal," Doherty says. "It just modifies something the town already accepted."

He says he believes the alteration to the early-retirement law shows appreciation for veterans.

"It is definitely beneficial to veterans," he says. "It's also expensive."

Doherty says veterans have five years to pay off the cost of the buy-back, and the amount owed varies depending on the veteran.

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Sports

STATE CHAMPIONS

Andover, 48-47

Hughes' clutch play, fearless foul shot seal championship for Lady Warriors

By Rick Harrison

WORCESTER — Samantha Hughes stood with a look of disbelief on her face for a split second, then bolted out from underneath the basket almost to mid-court with a huge smile on her face.

Perhaps without even knowing it she mouthed the words "Oh ... my ... God!"

"I was in shock," said the Andover High senior forward. "I had to walk away for a few seconds and take a deep breath. Nothing like this has ever happened to me before."

The surreal scene – the last of many in the Lady Warriors' incredible state tournament run – came after Hughes collected the rebound of a blocked Jenny Muller shot and laid the ball in the basket with 0:00.9 (9/10ths of a second) left on the clock to tie the Division 1 state final with Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham, 47-47.

"I was in the right place at the right time," said Hughes. "It's a natural reaction for me to grab an offensive rebound and put the ball back up without even thinking about it.

"This one just fell into my hands. The ball hit the glass and dropped down to me like a gift from heaven."

She was also fouled on the play and went to the line with a chance to clinch the first state title in the history of Andover High basketball.

After walking almost to center court for a quick reality check, Hughes circled back and had a smile on her face as she prepared to take the biggest shot of her hoop life.

"I always smile or laugh when I'm nervous," explained Hughes. "My hands were shaking and my heart was pumping 1,000 miles an hour.

"Even so, I had a good feeling about it. I knew I was going to make the free throw and I knew we were going to win the game."

Perfect arc

The shot had a perfect arc, kissing the back rim and dropping straight down through the net without a ruffle.

Andover, 48-47.

"Coach (Dick) Muller stressed all the time it's the little things, like free throws, that win games," said Hughes.

The coaches also had a reminder after the free throw was made.

"They told us there was still one second left and anything could happen."

What transpired, after a deafening roar from the Andover side as the players took the court, was the obvious.

Minnechaug in-bounded the ball under the basket, needing to travel the full length of the court in less than one second, which is a physical impossibility.

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FINAL MINUTES

Following is a chronological account of what happened in the closing minutes of the Andover-Minnechaug Regional girls basketball state final.

3:17 left: Matia Kostakis steps in and takes a charging foul with Minnechaug ahead, 43-40.

2:51 left: Jenny Muller hits three-pointer to tie game, 43-43.

1:56 left: Putback by Mikara Cimmino and lay-up by Laura Menty 24 seconds apart give Minnechaug 47-43 lead.

1:29 left: Muller defense forces a Minnechaug turnover.

1:02 left: Muller makes two free throws, 47-45.

1:16 left: Minnechaug regains possession after steal.

54 seconds left: Andover, with fouls to give, commits two as Minnechaug runs valuable time off the clock.

42 seconds left: Andover ties ball up but possession arrow in Minnechaug's favor.

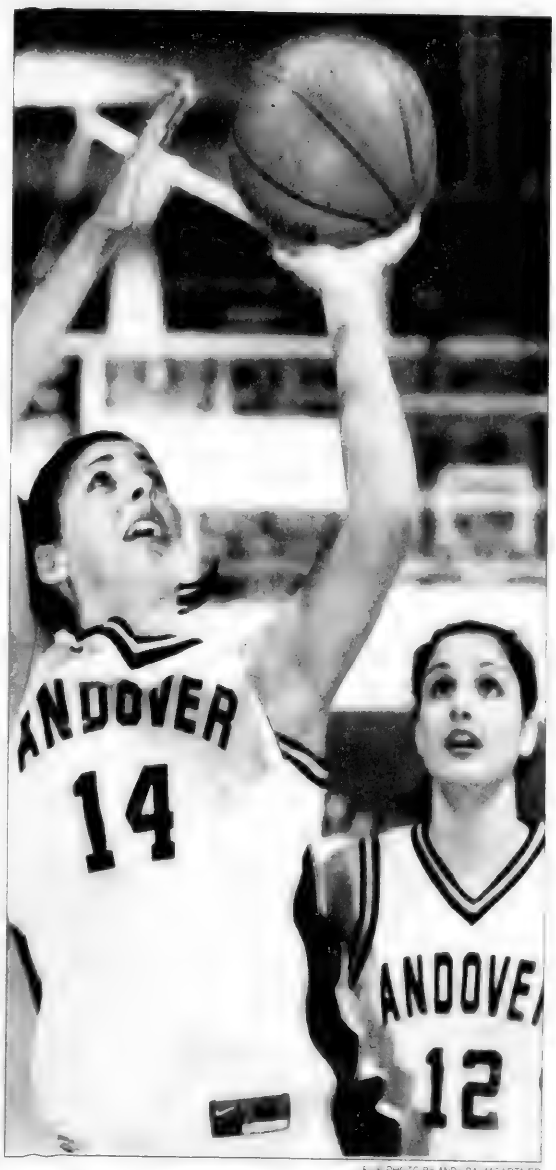
18 seconds left: Minnechaug's Brie Bellefuille drives lane and throws up shot that hits front rim. Kostakis pulls down rebound.

8 seconds left: Muller drives left lane, throws up shot and appears to get hit as shot is partially blocked. No foul call.

0.9 seconds left: Samantha Hughes rebounds blocked shot, scores on putback and gets fouled. Game tied, 47-47. Makes game-winning free throw.

0.9 seconds left: Minnechaug in-bounds ball and fires up wild three-quarter court shot as final buzzer sounds.

— Rlick Harrison



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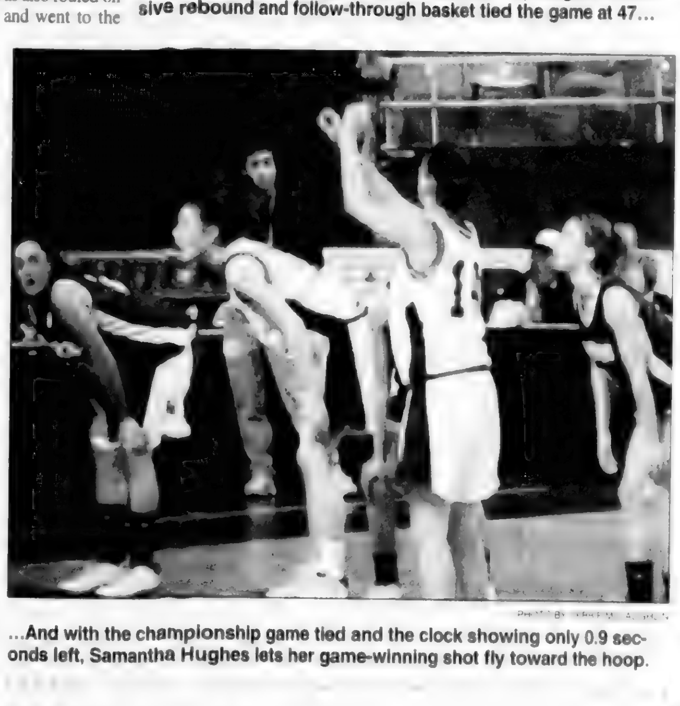
Senior forward Samantha Hughes (No. 14) grabs a rebound and shoots, backed by Matia Kostakis (No. 12). Hughes' offensive rebound and follow-through basket tied the game at 47...



...And with the championship game tied and the clock showing only 0.9 seconds left, Samantha Hughes lets her game-winning shot fly toward the hoop.

TRIUMPHANT RETURN

Heroines conquer the town with first crown

By Rick Harrison

ANDOVER — It was hoop hysteria at its wildest and best.

Fans of the Andover High girls basketball team wanted to cherish the moment and preserve the experience.

They wanted to show their love, and they did during a celebratory rally upon the Lady Warriors triumphant return to town following their magnificent state championship win.

It was supposed to be a complete surprise — but best laid plans are often discovered.

Several of the conquering heroines accidentally found out something was afoot the night before the game, when they walked into the Dunn Gym while decorations were being set-up.

"We didn't know exactly what was going on," said sophomore guard Jackie Powers. "And we definitely didn't expect what we got."

It seemed clear from their reactions the players were overwhelmed by the reception.

Thunderous ovation

A police escort was waiting for the team bus as it took the Route 495 exit from Worcester and rolled towards Shawsheen Square.

The cruisers, with lights flashing, led the way to the high school parking lot where dozens of fans formed the first wave of revelers.

As the players crashed through blue doors and ran into the Dunn Gym, they were greeted by several hundred fans/admirers who crammed the bleachers on both sides and stood four deep just inside the entranceway.

There were blue and gold balloons, star-shaped blue balloons and streamers on the floor, walls and attached to the chairs reserved for the guests of honor at this special rally.

The scoreboard was lit with the final score emblazoned in red: Andover 48, Visitor (Minnechaug) 47.

On one wall was plastered a huge sign "Thanks For The Memories" with each player's name on a smaller placard surrounding the banner.

On the opposite wall was another big sign "Lady Warriors Rule!"

The gym was dark as the players and coaches arrived, except for a bright spotlight shining on the double doors.

The team entered to a thunderous ovation before being escorted to center court.

One-by-one each player and coach was introduced by Andover selectman and MC Ted Teichert.

They were cheered loudly again with Samantha Hughes, whose incredible game-winning putback and free throw with 9/10ths of a second on the clock, Capt. Jenny Muller and Arianna Miliotis getting high decibel cheers.

Each player said something to the crowd, thanking the fans for their support throughout the season, while coaches and teammates were also praised.

Head coach Jim Tildsley and assistant Dick Muller spoke.

Muller, who played on the only AHS boys state championship squad in 1970, echoed the oft repeated sentiment that "the biggest lesson to take away is the girls had to play as a team to win this."

"We were behind in each of the last three tournament games and we came back to win. It takes everyone pulling together to do that," said Muller.

Cutting the net

Once again, one-by-one, Teichert called each player to come forward and climb a step ladder under the basket for the ceremonial cutting down of the net performed by championship hoop teams everywhere.

As the song *Play That Funky Music* filled the gym, each girl snipped off one strand of the net.

As each player returned to center court — and the next was called — they stopped to hug.

Fittingly the final snip was left for Muller, who drew laughs by briefly placing the net on top of her head before tossing it over her right shoulder where it stayed for some time.

The players then grabbed dozens of small [illegible] basketballs and lobbed them into the crowd as the official celebration came to a close.

For another 30 minutes players, coaches, parents, friends and fans stayed around talking, shaking hands, munching pizza, hugging and soaking in the moment.

Players signed autographs for young admirers and slowly the crowd dispersed with the state champs heading to the Muller home [illegible] for a party that lasted well into the night.

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PHOTO BY LINDA HUGHES

Grace under pressure – Samantha Hughes, shown on the FleetCenter scoreboard, prepares to shoot a foul shot early in the second period of the EMass finals against Newton North. The win set the stage for Saturday's thriller in the Worcester Centrum, where Andover won, 48-47 on Hughes' three-point play, including a foul shot with 0.9 seconds left in the game.

'Now it's our turn'

Been there before

By Rick Harrison

WORCESTER — Samantha Hughes, whose three-point play in the final second lifted the Andover High girls to their 48-47 state-title win over Minnechaug Regional, remembers sitting in the stands with longtime friend (since first grade) Jenny Muller when the 1997-98 Lady Warriors lost to Minnechaug 55-40 in the Division 1 final.

"There were no seats left on the Andover side, so we sat on the Minnechaug side and rooted for Andover.

Hughes said she and Jenny didn't feel uncomfortable at all.

"Beating this team is what makes this win extra sweet," said dark-haired heroine Hughes. "Besides, they've had their share (three state championships). Now it's our turn."

Hughes, who could go to Division 2 basketball power Bentley College next fall, might have played her last competitive hoop game.

Also a standout defender in soccer, that is her sport of choice and what she hopes to play for the Falcons.

Ice bags galore

Andover players were limping all over the court during the course of the state title game, as the team almost ran out of ice bags.

Ashley McLaughlin turned her left ankle, while Matia Kostakis and

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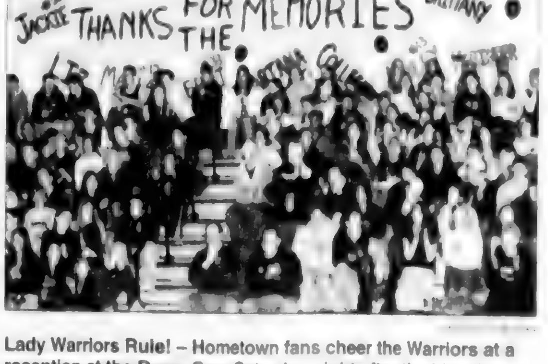

Lady Warriors Rule! – Hometown fans cheer the Warriors at a reception at the Dunn Gym Saturday night after the big win. Players were introduced to standing ovations, and thanked the fans for their support during the championship season.

LADY WARRIORS

Hughes' clutch play

■ SAMANTHA HUGHES

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A quick heave of a shot by Amy Wilson barely reached half court and the Andover half of the Worcester Centrum exploded again.

"When we walked on the court — it was the loudest sound I've ever heard at a basketball game," said Ashley McLaughlin.

A basketball game for the ages. An instant classic. Simply the most important and most heart-pounding 32 minutes in the history of Andover High girls basketball.

On the biggest high school basketball stage of all, it was yet another tournament game that saw Andover and its rival no more than four points apart the entire second half.

Minnechaug, ironically the opponent (and 55-40 winner) the only other time the Lady Warriors reached the state final in 1998, had used its inside strength to forge a 47-43 lead on a Laura Menty basket with 1:56 to play. The Falcons, however, would not score again.

Jenny Muller, game-high with 24 points, swished a pair of clutch free throws with 1:25 remaining to make it 47-45

Muller's defense forced a Minnechaug turnover, but the Falcons stole the ball back and ran the clock down to 38 seconds after a pair of Andover fouls re-set the shot clock twice

With 18 seconds left Minnechaug guard Brie Bellefuille drove the lane and took a shot that hit the front iron

Kostakis came down with the rebound (her 18th) and shifted into transition gear.

"I knew I had to get that rebound," said Kostakis. "Or we'd lose the game. I figured Jenny would get us in position to tie or win."

"We made a terrific defensive play before Samantha's basket," said AHS head coach Jim Tildsley, who jumped about four feet in the air when Hughes hit the last-second layup. "And we had something ready that was designed for Jenny."

Best laid plans

On the play, designated 'Indiana' in Andover's repertoire, Muller took off at full speed on the dribble as the final seconds ticked off.

"I was told to push the ball up and go hard to the hoop, either for a layup or a pull-up jumper," said Muller, who was triple-teamed. "I went for the layup because my (outside) shot had been on and off the whole game. I thought if I missed the shot at least I'd force a foul."

As she drove the left lane to the basket, Falcon defenders Mikara Cimmino and Menty converged on her and partially blocked the shot.

"The two girls collapsed around me," said Muller. "I thought I was banged around and fouled. But it all worked out perfectly when Sam got the ball and scored."

"I didn't see the ball go in," said Hughes. "I didn't even know the score was tied until everybody started screaming and I looked up at the clock. I couldn't believe it."

Muller never saw the ball go in, either. "My shot went up. I heard the whistle and then I saw Sam getting mobbed.

"It couldn't happen to a better player," said Muller, who has been friends with Hughes since first grade. "Sam is our unsung hero. She doesn't get the 'press' but she makes so many big plays.

"We've said it a lot — she's always in the right place at the right time. She got that rebound against girls five inches taller.

"I wouldn't want anyone else at the free throw line in that situation," added Muller.

"Still, when it was over we were all in shock for a couple of seconds. Then it hit us."

Matia Kostakis, immense on the boards with 10 rebounds in the game's first eight minutes and 18 caroms for the game, added: "Sam makes those putbacks all the time. She never gives up on a rebound."

"My ankle was sore, but when Sam hit that free throw I didn't feel a thing," said Ashley McLaughlin, standing barefoot as she spoke after the game. "I jumped as high as I could. It felt so great."

Quick lead

Andover took a quick 5-0 lead on a Kostakis putback and Muller three-pointer, and made it 7-1 when McLaughlin banked in a layup off a drive.

Minnechaug clawed back to tie it 11-11 on the second of Amy Wilson's four treys, but a 10-2 AHS run made it 21-13.

Hughes dropped in a layup, Muller scored off a mid-court steal, Hughes nailed a free throw, Muller swished a baseline shot, McLaughlin converted a free throw and Jackie Powers scored off a steal.

Then it was Minnechaug's turn, as the Central/Western Mass. champs closed the half with an 8-2 run to cut the AHS lead to 23-21 at the break.

"We wanted to run and push the ball upcourt, which is a game Minnechaug doesn't like to play," said Tildsley. "But we turned the ball over a few times and made some crucial mistakes. That's why we were only up two at thr half.

"The first half was all about momentum and runs," added the coach.

The Division 1 heavyweights traded punches throughout the second half, with Andover's biggest lead 27-23 on an acrobatic down-the-lane drive by Muller which ended with the lefty shifting the ball to her right hand and scoring on an underhand scoop.

With its inside game beginning to click, as Laura Menty and Mikara Cimmino muscled their way to several lay-ups, it was another three by Amy Wilson that gave the Falcons their first lead of the game, 32-30.

"No. 11 (Wilson) shot well against Springfield Cathedral," said Tildsley. "She looked stiff and mechanical against North Middlesex, but she had the outside touch back tonight."

Closing it out

AHS regained a 38-36 advantage on a strong drive by Muller, and made it 40-38 when McLaughlin dropped in two free throws.

A 10-foot jumper by Cimmino with 4:11 to play gave Minnechaug a 43-40 edge, but Muller drained a crucial trey to tie it, 43-43.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Samantha Hughes is greeted by fans Saturday night in the Dunn Gym.

Putbacks by Cimmino and Menty left the state champs in a 47-43 hole, setting the stage for Muller's two clutch foul shots and the unforgettable three-point play by Hughes.

"This game was not quite how I imagined it," said Tildsley. "But I believe in our kids. We've said right along we needed some luck along the way and tonight we got it.

"I'm glad we beat Minnechaug this year. Their top three players are juniors so they'll be very tough again next year."

Muller (10-for-23 from floor) finished with 24 points, five steals and four assists, while Ashley McLaughlin added 10 points, seven steals, five rebounds and two blocked shots.

"Mac had a ton of steals again. She was immense on defense and did a great job contersting and stopping their entry passes," said Tildsley.

Hughes had eight points and six boards, Kostakis four points, 18 rebounds and Jackie Powers two points.

Kostakis collected 73 rebounds in five tourney games.

The balanced Minnechaug charge featured 13 points by Menty, including the 1,000th of her career, 12 by Amy Wilson, 11 from Cimmino and nine for Marybeth Maziarz.

Andover was 18-for-46 from the floor and 9-for-12 at the free throw line.

Minnechaug went 20-for-37 from the floor but only 3-for-10 at the stripe.

Tying record

Andover finished the season 24-1, matching the best record in school history set by the 1996-97 team.

Minnechaug closes at 23-2 with the only previous loss to Bunnell, Conn. High in early December when Menty didn't play.

The Falcons have been one of the top teams in the Commonwealth, winning state titles in 1997, 1998 and 2000.

Andover was the lone Eastern Mass. team to emerge as a state champ on the girls side, as both Fontbonne Academy (Division 2) and Foxboro (Division 3) lost close decisions.

Scoring leaders

Jenny Muller was the top scorer through 25 games with a personal single-season high 420 points (16.8 ave.). She also graduates with 1,498 career points, trailing only her older sister Charlotte (1,600 points) on the all-time AHS girls hoop scoring list.

Holy Cross recruit Ashley McLaughlin scored 341 points this season, Samantha Hughes 135, Matia Kostakis 132, Jackie Powers 126 points and Merry Fish 116.

Muller and Fish shared the team lead in three-pointers with 31 each.

GAME SUMMARY

ANDOVER 48, MINNECHAUG REG. 47
State Division 1, Championship Game
at Worcester Centrum

Minnechaug Regional — Brie Bellefuille 1-0-2, Amy Wilson 4-0-12, Laura Menty 6-1-13, Mikara Cimmino 5-1-11, Marybeth Maziarz 4-1-9. **Totals:** 20-3-47.

Andover — Jackie Powers 1-0-2, Merry Fish 0-0-0, Jenny Muller 10-2-24, Matia Kostakis 2-0-4, Ashley McLaughlin 3-3-10, Samantha Hughes 2-4-8, Meagan Merinder 0-0-0. **Totals:** 18-9-48.

Halftime: Andover, 23-21. **3-pointers:** A, Muller 2, McLaughlin 1; MR, AWilson 4. **Final Records:** Andover 24-1, Minnechaug Regional 23-2.

Been there before

■ WARRIORS: OUR TURN

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Samantha Hughes both did the same with their right ankle.

"I did it on a rebound and had to go to the foul line on the same play," said McLaughlin. "When it happened I didn't know if I'd even be able to shoot the free throws.

"But once I ran up and down the court a couple times after that I knew I'd be able to keep playing."

Said Kostakis, who suffered an ACL injury to her left knee and missed all of last year: "One of my goals this season was to not get hurt. I did go to the bench after I rolled the ankle. The pain was excruciating at first, but there was no way I wanted to come out of this game."

She was back on the court in less than a minute.

Said coach Tildsley: "Everyone was coming up hurt. We were beaten up. But fortunately we didn't lose anyone."

Thanking the fans

After the final buzzer sounded and the Lady Warriors crushed one another in a group hug at center court, they rushed over to the stands and many leapt into the arms of people in the first two rows behind their bench.

Jackie Powers, Merry Fish and Samantha Hughes were among those making like rock stars diving into a mosh pit.

There were high-fives, low-fives, medium-fives and hugs all around.

Some of the lucky fans were boyfriends, some were parents and some were faithful non-related supporters.

"We just wanted to show the fans how awesome they were throughout the tournament and how much we appreciated their support," explained Samantha Hughes.

Old friend calls

The telephone rang at Dick Muller's home at 7:55 a.m. on game day.

"It was Wil Hixon, " said the AHS assistant coach. "Wil Hixon!"

Hixon, the retired former AHS boys varsity hoop coach (from 1959-1985), teacher (problems of democracy) and vice-principal, was on the bench when Muller helped the Andover High boys to their only state hoop title in 1970.

He now resides most of the year in Florida.

"He wished us luck and told me he remembered what it was like to get two hours sleep the night before a big game," laughed Muller.

Speaking of lack of sleep in the Muller home, Jenny lamented that: "I stayed in the whole night before the game but still didn't get to sleep until 1:30 a.m."

Team banquet

The Lady Warriors' team banquet is scheduled for next Monday night, March 24, at 1 Mill Street Restaurant in Lawrence.

Next year's captains will be announced, gifts will be exchanged and there will be a lot of storytelling and memory sharing.

One thing there won't be is individual awards.

"Mr. Tildsley doesn't believe in giving out a lot of trophies," said Jenny Muller.

"This is a team and that's the concept we have always stressed." explained the coach.

Tommy Mac visits

Ashley McLaughlin's older brother Tom, the all-time leading scorer for AHS boys basketball, made the trip up from William & Mary College to see his sister win the state title.

He reported his oft-injured knee is mended.

"I couldn't have played this year because of the transfer rule," explained McLaughlin, "who left Princeton and would have been forced to sit out this season even if he were healthy.

"I re-injured my knee when I stepped on another player's foot during an informal workout. But I'll be ready to go next season."

McLaughlin, who is doing well in the classroom, said the up-tempo play of William & Mary suits his game better than Princeton's traditionally deliberate approach to offense.

Andover crowd rules

MIAA official Bill Gaine told AHS athletic director Jim Hurley that the Andover crowd at the Centrum was "the biggest he has ever seen from one town for a state final at the Centrum."

Estimated at more than 5,000 people, the Andover side far outnumbered the Minnechaug side.

"Our fans were end-to-end and crammed into seats from front row behind the bench to the top balcony," said Hurley. "It was a fantastic show of support."

In addition to the huge crowd, Andover brought along an 8-piece pep band and Eagle mascot Greg Hartwell to help rev up the faithful.

Two T-shirts

After sporting blue T-shirts with "This Is Warrior Territory" on the back throughout the tourney, Andover players broke out new gold ones for the state final that read "The Big Dance — Worcester Centrum."

Big arenas

Muller said she and her teammates felt at home in the Centrum.

"I definitely think teams coming out of the North section of the state have an edge here, because we've already played at the Tsongas and FleetCenter before we get to the Centrum.

"We're used to the big arenas and the big crowds — probably more than teams who play in the West."

State champs galore

The hoopsters are the third AHS girls sports team in recent years to win a state title.

The swim and dive squad has captured four straight Massachusetts championships and girls gymnastics won in 2000.

Scouted twice

"Minnechaug surprised us by playing man-to-man most of the game," said Jenny Muller. "Mr. Tildsley and my dad scouted them twice (against Springfield Cathedral and North Middlesex) and they played mostly zone."

Minnechaug coach David Yelle, who was gracious in defeat, didn't feel zone would work against Andover.

"Their perimeter shooting (Muller, Ashley McLaughlin, Merry Fish) is just too good," he explained. "They would have shot over the zone and killed us."

Said Muller: "We knew No. 12 (Laura Menty) was their go-to player and they were the best inside team we would face all season.

"But No. 11 (Amy Wilson) caught us off guard when she started hitting those three-pointers (4-for-8). We didn't expect it because she didn't shoot well the game before that."

Muller also knew the Lady Warriors would be facing their biggest challenge of the season under the boards, with Minnechaug boasting 6'2", 6'1" and 5'11" starters.

"We knew we had to cover the middle," said the All-Scholastic point-guard. "They and Newton North were very solid inside. But Matia (Kostakis) was immense and Sam (Hughes) did a great job on the weak side."

Minnechaug coach

"The best two teams made it to the final," said Falcons' coach David Yelle. "And there weren't any real surprises out there. If we played 10 times it would probably be a 5-5 split.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Emily Pallotta, a member of the JV team, enjoys a celebration slice Saturday night in the Dunn Gym.

"They rebounded as well as anyone has against us this year. It would have been nice to get that last rebound. If we do we win.

"I would have liked two more points, too, or no foul on that last play" (which would have forced overtime).

"We were tentative against their pressure defense. That's unusual for us. We're used to it and normally we're very aggressive.

"Our perimeter shooting was OK today," said Yelle. "But I think both defenses forced the other team to take a bunch of shots it didn't want to take.

"Our defense in the final 19 seconds was superb. They had the fortunate bounce at the end, but we had some freak bounces go our way, too.

"Muller is very tough to stop. She does it all. She goes to the hoop strong, she shoots well from the outside, she passes very well and she makes big baskets.

"McLaughlin is a great player, too," said an impressed Yelle. "She moves well without the ball and Muller did a good job of finding her.

"And how about the poise of the girl who hit the winning free throw. I couldn't believe she was laughing when she went to the line."

Random quotes

Ashley McLaughlin: "(Laura Menty) is very strong and she pushed me around a few times. She's hard to cover. Matia did an amazing job getting so many rebounds."

MacLaughlin again: "Obviously we're going to miss Jenny next year. Roles will change. But it should still be fun."

Coach Jim Tildsley: "Minnechaug's big girls are not only tall — they're wide (spreads hands several feet apart). They're solid and tough to block out or move around."

Matia Kostakis: "When Sam put in the rebound and free throw everything else was just blocked out. It was like being in a dreamland. Then a million thoughts started racing through my mind. The crowd reaction was so incredible. With the big building and all it felt like we were in the NBA."

Kostakis again: "We wanted to beat Minnechaug to get revenge for Sarah and Charlotte" (Jenny Muller's older twin sisters who lost the state final to the same school in 1998).

Samantha Hughes: "Matia Kostakis is the best role player on our team. She is also our most under-estimated and under-appreciated player."

Hughes again: The Tsongas Arena was the most stressful place to play. Maybe facing Lowell had something to do with it. The shooting background was bad and it was our first game in a building that big. The Centrum was much more comfortable."

Hughes again: "The crowds kept us in a lot of games. They had our whole team in a frenzy most of the time."

Hughes again: Just call us the comeback kids. There is so much heart and determination on this team."

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Perfect exit

Retiring athletic director Jim Hurley and principal Peter Anderson, both of whom spoke briefly before stepping back to enjoy the love-fest, had spearheaded the organizing of the event.

"This celebration would have been held, win or lose," said Hurley. "When you look at it these girls had already won four championships — the Eastern Mass. Division 1, MVC Division 1, Christmas Tournament and Broadband Tournament.

"Only one team in each division of the state wins its last game. Our girls ran the table."

It was a perfect parting gift for Hurley, who will retire in June after more than two decades as AHS athletic director (his position will now be shared by two men).

"This is very special," said Hurley. "It couldn't have been scripted any better — winning a state title in the last game" (under his watch).

Hurley also thanked the organizations and businesses, including Hoops For Hope and King's Subs, which sponsored the post-game rally.

"Now, if we could only find someone to sponsor us for a new basketball net to replace the one they cut down ..." he joked.

Players parade

The day before the game, during school hours, players were treated to a "Road To The Centrum" parade.

As the team walked down the AHS hallways, students (many with painted faces) popped out of each classroom with posters displaying one game score from each of the Lady Warriors first 23 wins.

"It was pretty amazing and great for school spirit," said Samantha Hughes. "We appreciated it."

Merry Fish is greeted by fans as the triumphant Lady Warriors are introduced to the crowd on arriving back home at the Dunn Gym Saturday night, after winning the championship game in the Worcester Centrum.

DYNAMIC DUO: MULLER & MCLAUGHLIN

M&M Show is over...

By Rick Harrison

Jim Tildsley can pinpoint the exact day the Andover High girls basketball team shifted its state championship season into overdrive.

"The day after our first Lowell game (Jan. 11), Jenny (Muller) called a team meeting," said the Lady Warriors' head coach. "Just the players. No coaches. I didn't even know about it until two weeks later."

Tildsley was impressed with the team captain's initiative, and he soon found out what went on behind closed doors.

"Jenny did most of the talking. Some of the players were unsure about their role on the team and they talked a lot about that."

Andover was 8-0 at the time and playing well, but apparently Muller sensed something special about this team.

She soon found out multi-talented teammate Ashley McLaughlin had the same feeling.

"After they talked it all out, Jenny turned to Ashley for her opinion," said Tildsley. "Ashley agreed with everything Jenny said and told her 'I'm behind you 100 percent.'"

Not surprising since the devastating duo wreaked havoc on opposing teams for 25 games, often playing as if they were reading each other's mind.

"Not only were those two on the same page all season. They were on the same line of the page," said Tildsley. "Everyone played a part in our winning the title, but the other kids looked up to Jenny and Ashley and followed their lead. This was their team."

Curtain call

Last Saturday was the final time area fans could tune in to the always entertaining M&M Show, as All-Scholastic choice Muller will head to Tufts University in the fall while McLaughlin will head up the 2003-04 AHS crew that tries for the repeat.

Tildsley knows he had a once-in-a-lifetime pairing with Muller and McLaughlin, and the harsh realization he won't be watching the tandem perform their magic for the Blue and Gold again hit home hard as the team prepared to be honored by the Andover School Committee Tuesday night.

"I believe they are the two best players in the state," said Tildsley. "They're the best inside-outside combination Andover has ever had (Muller twins Charlotte and Sarah were both perimeter players).

"They were the catalysts behind our whole season. They are the major reason we are state champs.

"Neither girl has an ounce of ego and neither cares about statistics," said Tildsley. "All that mattered was the team and doing whatever was needed to win. Their tenacity and will to win was unmatched.

"Ashley is a coach's dream. Whatever we asked her to do was done without complaint."

In fact, McLaughlin was silent for most of her first two seasons but this year began to assert herself verbally. In a positive and constructive way.

"She is still growing into her body," said Tildsley. "She's 6'1" and is going to get bigger and stronger.

"We figure another inch and maybe two," said her father, Tom.

Although she did get muscled around at times by Minnechaug's mountainous frontcourt, McLaughlin held her own and gave as good as she got.

Ed Kelley, a former Division 2 college assistant coach and scout who lives in Andover, said the sky is the limit for McLaughlin.

"If she really wants it she can go far," said Kelley. "With her size and skill she'll be a force in college (Holy Cross). And, depending on how badly she wants it, she could even be a candidate for pro (WNBA) ball."

Tough as nails

"Jenny is full-grown," said Tildsley. "She's smallish (5'7") but she can do it all on the court. She has tremendous basketball sense and skills. And she's tough as nails mentally and physically."

Muller did not miss a game or practice in four years, and McLaughlin boasts the same perfect attendance record over her first three seasons.

"Ashley sprained her ankle against Minnechaug and didn't even wince," said Tildsley. "She's still walking with a limp three days after the game — but she never said a word or came off the court."

Muller also took her lumps at the Centrum.

"Not many people saw it, but midway through the first half of Saturday's game Jenny got hit in the face with an elbow by (6'1" Falcons' star Laura) Menty. She just moved her jaw back and forth a couple times and continued on as if nothing happened," said Tildsley.

"Ashley was our best defensive player and Jenny was close behind," said Tildsley.

"Menty averages 22 points a game. We held her to 13 and figured when Ashley was covering her she only scored two points.

"The Minnechaug point-guard (Brie Bellefuille) scored 17 and 18 points the two previous tournament games. Jenny held her to two, stole the ball or forced a bad pass numerous times, and had her totally frustrated."

Figures don't lie

Although stats were not a priority with the pair, they did finish 1-2 for the state champs in scoring.

Muller netted 420 points (16.8 ave.) this year, and 1,498 for her career, while McLaughlin had 341 points (13.6) this season and will hit the 1,000 milestone next season.

A-Mac was also the team's top rebounder over the course of the season, averaging 12.3 per game, and she led the team in steals (54), was second to Muller in assists (68) and probably set a school record for blocks with 66.

"The only time they played together was on the high school team," said Tildsley. "But they were so in tune and they knew each other's moves so well.

"I lost count how many times we scored on back-door pass plays. Jenny would throw the ball up six or seven feet in the air, many times without even looking Ashley's way, and Ashley would catch it in stride for an uncontested layup.

"We could begin to see it coming last year," said Tildsley, referring to the synchronicity of the pair. "That's why we knew this season could be so special."

Storybook ending

After climbing to No. 1 in the ratings, the M&M Show is now on permanent hiatus.

But, because it was such a hit, the MIAA State Division 1 championship plaque is in the trophy case at Andover High today.

"These are two great kids," said Tildsley. "You won't find any better on or off the court (both are standout students).

"They have played their last game together. It was a phenomenal run — a once in a lifetime thing.

"Twenty years from now people will look back on this season, the championship game and the whole story," said Tildsley.

"What a great way for Jenny to leave and for the two of them to go out as teammates."

'Alex was with the team in spirit'

By Rick Harrison

Divine intervention [illegible]

Andover High girls basketball players and coaches are [illegible] Alex Miliotis was at the Worcester Centrum last Saturday night watching over and perhaps guiding their state championship win against Minnechaug.

The former AHS three-sport athlete, [illegible] the basketball team, died of cancer March 15, 2002. Her twin sister, [illegible] junior guard on this year's team.

It seems beyond irony and coincidence that the Lady Warriors would win their first-ever state title in heavenly fashion on the one-year anniversary – to the day – of her passing.

"Alex was definitely here tonight," said game heroine Samantha Hughes with a smile. "She was with us the whole tournament.

"It meant so much to the team to win this for Alex and for [illegible]."

"I believe Alex is up there looking at us," offered coach Jim Tildsley. "And maybe she helped push in that last shot by Samantha."

"Alex definitely had something to do with all this," added sophomore guard Jackie Powers.

"The school held a candlelight [illegible] for Alex Friday night," said Jenny Muller. "The whole team was there.

"We didn't make a big thing of it, but in the locker room before the game we said 'this is for Alex.'"

After the game, when the team arrived back at the Dunn Gym for the rally, the initials "AJM" were still spelled out in white cups and prominent on the tennis court fence that faces the school.

Minnechaug coach David Yelle called it "a freak bounce off the backboard" that put the ball in Hughes' hands for the final layup.

Andover people, however, choose to believe there may have been higher forces at work.

The seat next to the team at Saturday night's Victory Rally reserved a special place for fond memories, with the late Alex Miliotis' photo and teddy bear on it.

Powers: Spark & spunk

By Rick Harrison

It was easy to fall in love with this 2002-03 Andover High girls basketball team, a group of talented athletes and totally terrific kids.

Sweet, humble, smiling princesses off the court, they morphed with Jekyll and Hyde intensity into tenacious, relentess predators on the hardwood.

Sophomore guard and first-off-the-bench 6th-man Jackie Powers, new to the team this year, may be the poster child for that endearing dual personality that typified the state champs.

Her smile can light up a room. But once she puts on her game face Powers is Miss Perpetual Motion — an dynamo who drives opponents crazy with her waterbug quickness and boundless energy.

Jackie Powers

After Saturday night's post-game rally, and before the post-game party at the Mullers, Powers took a brief moment to reflect on the fact she had played with seniors Jenny Muller, Samantha Hughes, Merry Fish and Kerrie Dargan for the last time.

"It won't be the same next year," said Powers. "But it's going to be good. Different, but still good."

Like all championship teams these Lady Warriors share a special bond, one that is destined to keep them close for the rest of their lives.

"It's been like having a dozen best friends over the past four months," said Powers. "The team chemistry has been incredible and it's made this whole season an unreal experience."

Powers' first love is soccer and she led the AHS girls in scoring last fall with 21 goals and seven assists. She is at a national soccer tournament in Virginia this week, playing with the Bandits club team, which won a state championship last year.

Powers went to Virginia after flying to Florida last weekend to visit her brother Dave, an Amherst College baseball player whose team has been on a southern swing based out of Fort Myers.

Jackie, whose nickname could be "Spunky" because of her hard-nosed play, believes an important key to this year's success is the players showed more emotion.

"Last year they all sat around expression-less," said Powers. "This year everybody knows what we're thinking and how we're feeling."

Powers was introduced to basketball in the fourth grade when she played for the Billerica-based Lightning AAU team.

A defensive specialist, Powers said she ran the gamut of emotions during the Minnechaug game, from nervous to excited to ecstatic when Hughes hit the winning free throw.

"Actually, we've come from behind in the final minutes so many times that we're used to it.

"When Sam went to the free throw line I was confident because we shoot a million free throws in practice," said Powers.

"It was great for her to make that shot. She deserves it."

Girls lacrosse coach Ryan Polley tried to persuade Powers to play lacrosse this spring.

She was intrigued but has too many soccer commitments.

Powers said the end of the basketball season will bring a nice break.

"But I'll definitely miss being with those girls two hours every day after school."

She was another current AHS player who was in the bleachers when Minnechaug beat Andover in the 1998 state final.

"Painted my face blue and gold and got my picture in the newspaper the next day," she recalled.

"It was a dream of mine back then to one day play in a state final — and it came true."

With that Powers scooped up her equipment bag and headed for a car whose driver was beeping the horn impatiently.

The pizza was getting cold. It was time to go party some more.

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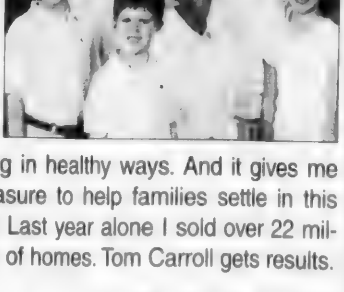

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Thursday, March 20

Blood drive, St. Robert's and the American Red Cross are teaming up to help ensure that a safe and adequate blood supply is available, 2-8 p.m., Charlie Sheehan Memorial Blood Drive, St. Robert's Church Hall, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, anyone over the age of 17, weighing 110 pounds or more and feeling in good health may donate blood; 1-800-448-3543, www.newenglandblood.org.

Lecture, MSPCA at Nevins Farm Equine Center presents a lecture, "Trailering Safety 101" by Roger Lauze, $5 donation, 7-8:30 p.m., MSPCA at Nevins Farm Equine Center, Methuen; 978-687-7453.

Theater, the Wakefield Repertory Theater present *Oliver*, Andover residents performing in the show are Nicole Cahill and Lauren LeBlanc, $15, $12 seniors and students, 8 p.m., Galvin Middle School Auditorium, 525 Main St., Wakefield; 781-245-1173.

Friday, March 21

Meeting, Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee presents a report from the Massachusetts State Senate, with Robert E Travaglini, Massachusetts State Senate president; state Sen. Sue Tucker of Andover, state Sen. Steven Baddour, state Sen. Steven Panagiotakos, Minority Whip Bruce Tarr, moderator Bill Ketter, editor-in-chief, *The Eagle Tribune*; $18 members, $25 non-members, 7:30-9:15 a.m., full breakfast buffet, Andover Country Club, 60 Canterberry St.; 978-686-0900, www.merrimackvalleychamber.com.

Fish chowder and chicken barbeque supper, sponsored by United Presbyterian Church, proceeds benefit the German Home in Lawrence, 4:30-6 p.m., United Presbyterian Church, 96 East St., Lawrence; 978-682-8176.

Live comedy, Greg Rodrigues, Tim Kaelin, open mic, $12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Live comedy, Jim Dunn, PJ Walsh, Kelly McFarland, $12, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Jokemavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen; 866-404-JOKE. www.jokemaven.com.

Live music, John Troy, 8 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, tickets 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com.

Oliver, see March 20 entry.

Saturday, March 22

Live music, Jazz at the Hall 2003, sponsored by the First Essex Bank and the Danvers Savings Bank, present the Boston Pops Ensemble, proceeds to benefit the Friends of Memorial Hall Library programs, light refreshments will be served, $20, tickets can be purchased at the Library or Andover Bookstore, 7:30 p.m., Old Town Hall; 978-623-8400.

Boston Pops Ensemble

"Opening Pandora's Box," SouthWinds will offer a worship service "about finding hope when everything around us seems to be going wrong," music by Living Water, free, 5 p.m. South Church, 41 Central St.; 978-475-0321.

Live music, Jez Lowe, $15, 8 p.m., tickets at the door from 6:30 p.m., doors open 7:30 pm., New Moon Coffee House, Jct. Rts. 110 and 125, Universalist Unitarian Church, Haverhill; 978-373-9259, www.newmooncoffeehouse.org, advance tickets available at Andover Bookstore.

Jez Lowe

Live comedy, Paul Nardizzi, Greg Rodrigues, Anne Maneikis, $12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

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Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings, under the direction of Trudy Larson of North Andover, will hold their eleventh annual Benefit Concert on Sunday, March 23, at 3 p.m. at Trinitarian Congregational Church in North Andover, 73 Elm St. Money earned will go to provide schooling, supplies, clothing and health care for a Haitian child for a year. Tickets are $7 for general admission, and $5 for students and senior citizens. The concert will last about 90 minutes, with a reception at the end. Call 978-685-7844. Sunday's performance will feature 25 violinists, violists, a cellist and a flutist, ranging in age from 5 to 18. Andover students (not in photo) performing in the concert include: Nick Binder, Emily Scoble, Emily Peterson, Bonnie Domigan, Lina Lucaci-Vashee and Elizabeth Scoble.

◀ Last weekend's Mr. Andover High contest brought a crowd to the Collins Center to cheer on a dozen AHS hopefuls vying for the title. (*Story, page 9.*) Organizers at Andover High want to hold more events at the underused venue, which was formerly managed professionally.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Preparing for liftoff

AHS organizers have high hopes for Collins Center's extravaganza weekend

By Ben Hellman

PROMOTER JOE SPANOS hopes an upcoming extravaganza weekend will be the one-two punch the Collins Center needs to reestablish it as a player in local professional entertainment.

Hoping to cash in on the center's prior comedy-show success – and the popularity of the TV show *American Idol* – the school has booked a comedy show and a singing talent show for the last weekend of March, Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30.

Thirty-two out of 50 spots in the talent show for singers have been filled and only about 60 percent of those who have registered are Andover students. The show drew in contestants with the lure of cash and the hopes of stardom.

The first-place prize at the talent show is $500. The winner of the event will also have a recording sent to Capitol Records and Bristol Records. Contestants may also be scouted for a network television program. Dave Pierre, an independent television producer, will be one of four judges for the talent show. Pierre has pitched a show to Channel 56 called "Young Voices," which is a showcase for young talent and should run on Sunday mornings at 10.

Pierre says he will be scouting for talent at the Collins Center show. "That is definitely my plan," says Pierre. Professionalism in singing, poise, stage appearance, and personality will be key factors he will judge. He says choreography has become important in singing acts.

Pierre says the plans are not set, but he hopes the judges can speak to contestants and give advice after they perform.

Pierre, who is from South Africa and speaks with an accent, says he does not hope to emulate the withering Simon, from American Idol. "We don't want to be sitting there telling them they stink," Pierre says, laughing.

Comedy

The comedy extravaganza brings its own contest winners. *Star Search* finalist Jon Fisch, 2001 Boston Comedy Festival Winner Paul Nardizzi, and American troop entertainers Jim McCue and Joe Carrol will be some of the comics performing.

Larry Starr and Kevin Knox are the only comics returning from the October comedy show. Starr is hosting the event and says they have a "a dynamite line-up." All of the comedians are from Boston.

Relaunching the center

The school's mission to reinvigorate the once-successful center has been difficult and has not met with instant success. "It's been very mixed," says Peter Anderson, Andover High principal. The Bo Winiker Orchestra event, one that Anderson expected to have wide appeal, sold fewer than 300 seats in the 1,200 seat theater.

The last comedy show did better in sales. It sold 500 seats and netted $5,000. Complimentary tickets brought in an additional 250 people to the event.

"We haven't mastered how to publicize," says Anderson. He says they have gone for a balanced selection that would encourage people to buy tickets to several events at once.

"It's slower than I hoped, but given our limitations, not (unreasonably) so," says Anderson.

Boston comic Jon Fisch, who will appear at Comedy Extravaganza Two at the Collins Center next Saturday, March 29, is scheduled to be a comedy contestant on *Star Search* on CBS this week.

The Collins Center, originally run under professional management, is now managed by a high-school class and high-school teachers.

But Anderson says the mission will stay the same, and Spanos says the extravaganza weekend is the cure. He hopes to raise $10,000 from the events.

The "Comedy Extravaganza 2" happens on Saturday, March 29 at 8 p.m.. The "Talent Extravaganza 2003" is on Sunday, March 30 at 2 p.m.

Andover Chamber Music Series closing season with 'Esprit of Three'

A group of guest artists will join Andover Chamber Music Series (ACMS) artistic director and flutist Julia Scolnik in the final concert of the season, Esprit of Three, on Sunday, April 6, at 4 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College in North Andover.

Kim Kashkashian

Julia Scolnik

Internationally acclaimed violist Kim Kashkashian, violinist Lucy Stoltzman, cellist and former New England Conservatory of Music president Laurence Lesser, and pianist Randall Hodgkinson will bring to life three very different beguiling trios.

Included in the program will be Schubert's *B-flat Piano Trio*, Weber's *Trio* for flute, cello and piano – which organizers said could possibly be his finest chamber work – and Hungarian composer Dohnanyi's *Serenade* for string trio, praised as one of the greatest works for string trio since the works of Mozart and Beethoven.

This is Scolnik's 6th season of programming thematic concerts.

She says that Schubert's *Bb Piano Trio* is one of his most beloved. "You cannot help feeling enraptured, by it," Scolnik said. "The second movement contains one of the most magical melodies of all his chamber music." Robert Schumann captured the feeling when he said, "One glance at Schubert's *B-flat Piano Trio* and the troubles of our human existence disappear and all the world is bright and fresh again."

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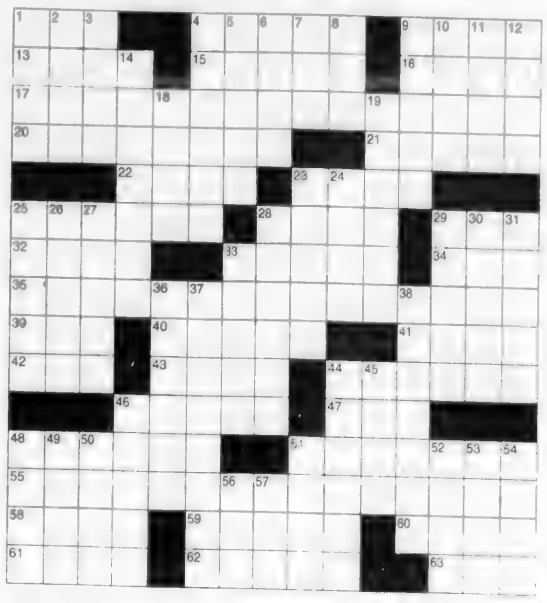

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Live comedy, Jim Dunn, PJ Walsh, Kelly McFarland, $12, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., R-rated hypnotist Joey Devito every Sat. 10:30 p.m., Jokemavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen; 866-404-JOKE, www.jokemaven.com.

Live music, Venus Rising and Down Under, 8 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; tickets 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com.

Live music, *Deutsche Nacht*, an evening of German song and refreshments, $10 at the door, $8 in advance, 8 p.m., Kazanjian Ballroom, St. Vartanantz Armenian Church, 180 Old Westford Road, Chelmsford; 978-441-6926, www.operalowell.org, lowelloperacompany@msn.com.

Live music, Dave Norton, no cover, 7 p.m., Higher Ground Coffee House, 194 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-4007.

Theater, Theater in the Open presents, *Spring Thaw*, $25, $10 under 21, 7-10 p.m., proceeds benefit Theater in the Open and Summer Arts Workshop, Masonic Hall, 31 Green St, Newburyport; 978-465-2572.

Oliver, *see March 20 entry.*

Sunday, March 23

Breakfast, "Get to Know Temple Emanuel Andover Breakfast," find out what's happening in Temple Emanuel's congregational life, volunteer opportunities, meet clergy, school personnel and Temple members, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, 978-470-1356.

Live music, Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings, benefit concert, under the direction of Trudy Larson, Andover residents in the group are: Nick Binder, Emily Scoble, Emily Peterson, Bonnie Domigan, Lina Lucaci, Vashee, Elizabeth Scoble, $7, $5 seniors and students, 4 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 73 Elm St., North Andover; 978-685-7844.

Workshop, American Textile History Museum presents Sally Matson, actress and narrator as *Susan B. Anthony*, free with museum admission, 2 p.m., Dutton Street, Lowell; 978-441-0400, www.athm.org.

Photography exhibit, by photographer and Shiatsu teacher Inna Broude-Epstein, free, 4-6 p.m., Shakti Yoga & Healing Arts Center, 11 School St., Chelmsford; 978-251-1001.

Live music, Alanna Manning, 5-7 p.m., Ipswich Bay Bar and Grill, 24-26 Hammatt St., Ipswich; reservations recommended, 978-356-7000.

Oliver, *2 p.m., see March 20 entry.*

Monday, March 24

Demonstration, Music Together of Andover will offer demonstration classes, free, 9:15-10:15 and 11:15 a.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 360 South Main St., RSVP Rosemary Halloran, 978-688-3326.

Workshop, Ginny Williams, business and life coach will be leading a 90-minute workshop to focus on the steps for creating a fulfilling career change, free, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Nesmith Library, Garden Room, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-4080.

Tuesday, March 25

Day trip, Department of Community Services travels to Ledyard, Conn., for the day, $19, departs 7 a.m., returns 5 p.m., DCS, 978-623-8274.

Workshop, Linda Seely, Montessori teacher and peace activist, will discuss ways to talk about the threat of war with children, free, 7 p.m., Andover School of Montessori, 400 S. Main St; Jennifer Allen, 978-557-5936.

Live music, Brazilian Jazz with El Eco, $5, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Roma Restaurant, 29 Middlesex St., Bradford; 978-374-8001.

Wednesday, March 26

Demonstration, the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood invites the

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community to a Passover cooking demonstration and recipe swap, free, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggets Pond Road; 978-470-1356.

Lecture, Marland's Monthly Health Series will cover "Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Alzeimer's Disease and the Alzheimer's Association," speaker Deborah Katt-Lloyd from the Lowell Office of the Alzheimer's Association, free, 6:30 p.m., Marland Place, 15 Stevens St., RSVP Michelle Muller 978-475-4225.

Lecture, and Q&A, Stevens Memorial Library series Focus on Women presents, Interior Decorating with Denise McManus, free, 7:00 p.m., Stevens Memorial Library, 345 Main St., North Andover; 978-688-9505.

Merrimack Valley Camera club meeting, light refreshments 7 p.m., program 7:45 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 978-455-8519, www.mvcameraclub.org.

Lecture, Learning in Retirement Association of UMass Lowell presents John Greenwald, art critic for the Lowell Sun will discuss great works of art, 10 a.m., UMass Lowell, Fox Hall on North Campus, Lowell; 978-934-3135.

Thursday, March 27

Cheerleader registration, Andover Junior Football League Cheerleading in-town and travel registration, 6-8 p.m., Andover High School, cafeteria; Beth 978-409-1099.

Meeting, Andovers Writers' Group meeting, author's presentation and workshop, Andover resident and author James David Doherty will read from his book *Andover, As I Remember It*, 7 to 9 p.m., Memorial Hall Room – upper level, Andover Memorial Hall Library; Leo Griffin 978-470-1186.

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Storytelling, storytellers' night, free, 8 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, tickets 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com.

Open Mic, no cover, 9 p.m., Higher Ground Coffee House, 194 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-4007.

Friday, March 28

Story Swap, at the Andover Bookstore, bring a story to tell or just come and listen, ages 6 and up welcome, free, 7p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St; 978-475-0143.

Theater, South School's Cooperative Theater presents an adaptation of *Mary Poppins*, $7, 7 p.m., West Middle School Auditorium, tickets are available at Strawberry Tree, Learning Express, or at the door; Heather Conn 978-623-8830.

Author talk, Temple Emanuel of Andover presents author Larry Tye, who will speak on his work in progress about Pullman porters and his research which includes efforts of the black and Jewish communities in the early days of labor and civil rights movements, 7:30 p.m., all are invited to the service and lecture, Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggets Pond Road; 978-470-1356.

Ballet, The New England Civic Ballet will perform *Cinderella*, $18 for adults, $15 for children and seniors, 7:30 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover, tickets New England Civic Ballet, 274 S. Broadway, S. Lawrence; 978-975-0289 or the Rogers Center box office.

Live music, the Spectrun Singers, Boston area choral ensemble performing Brahm's *Ein deutsches Requiem*, with Andover resident Carl Bewig as part of the chorus, $30-$40, 2:30 p.m., St. Mary's Church, Route 4, Chelmsford; tickets 617-492-8902, Carl Bewig 978-470-1072, www.spectrumsingers.org.

Live comedy, Kevin Knox, Jon Fisch, Anne Maneikis, $12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Live comedy, Al Ducharme, Charlie Kwaks, Bernadette Pauley, $12, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., R-Jokemavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen; 866-404-JOKE, www.jokemaven.com.

Live music, Tom Pacheco, $10, 8 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, tickets; 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com.

Antiques, and collectibles show, 35 exhibitors, $5, 5-9 p.m., appraisals by Frank Kaminski ($5 an item or 3 for $10), Wakefield First Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church St., Wakefield; 781-245-1539.

Saturday, March 29

Comedy Extravaganza, hosted by comedian Larry Starr, featuring Kevin Knox, Tony V., Paul Nardizzi to name a few, proceeds to benefit ongoing Andover High School projects, including the completion of the fund to create a new marquee for the Collins Center, $25, 8 p.m.; Collins Center Box Office 978-623-8666, Joe Spanos 978-697-9110.

Demonstration, Music Together of Andover will offer demonstration classes, free, 9:15 and 10:15 a.m.,

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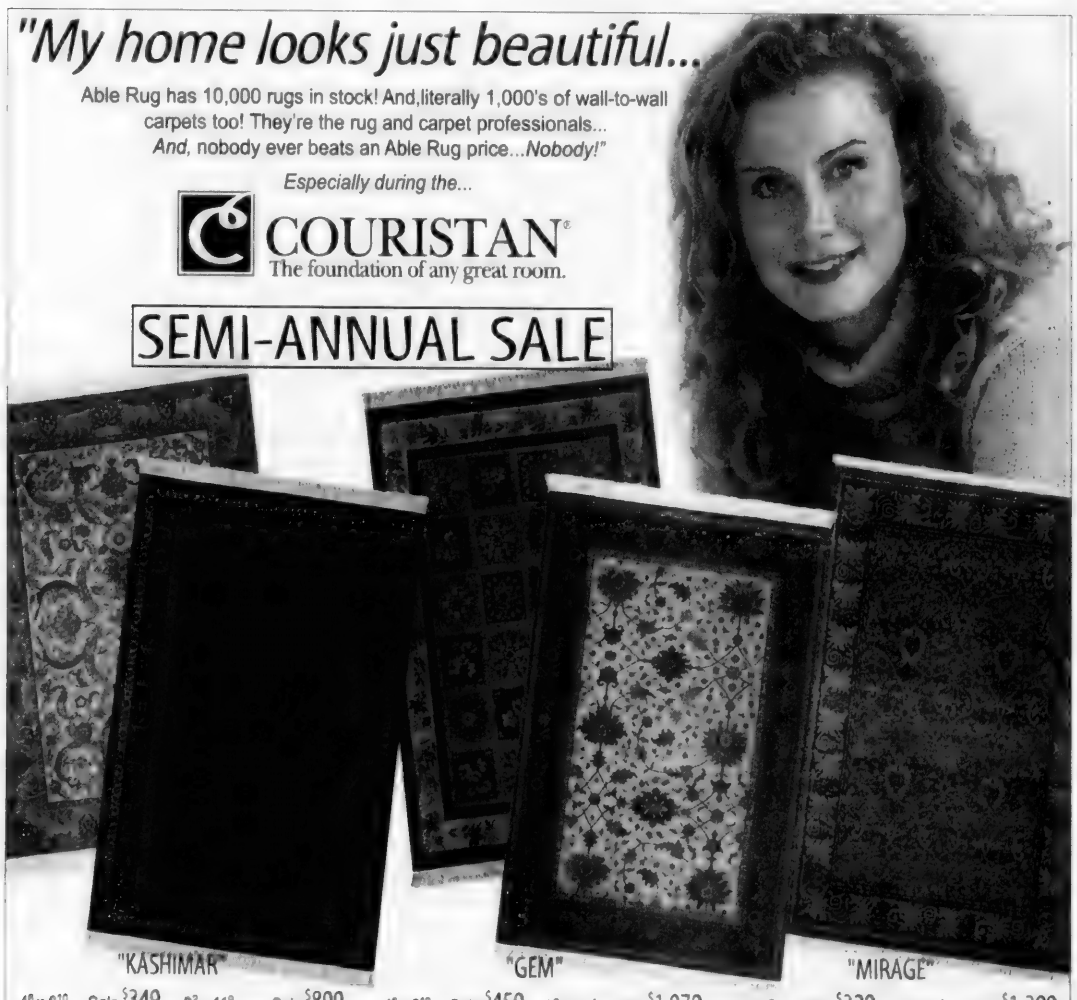

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Crafts, South Church Women's Ministries is hosting a Craft and Home based Business Show and silent auction, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., South Church, 41 Central St.; 978-475-0321.

Yard sale donation event, to benefit the Committee to Protect Andover Zoning (PAZ), drop off from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., donations should be clean and in good condition no large appliances, volunteers will be on hand to help unload goods, 115 Bailey Road. (Yard sale will be April 26, unsold items will be donated to Lazarus House.) If donors are unable to drop off merchandise on this date, call Maddy St. Amand 978-685-2441; to volunteer call Lori Mattheiss 978-686-8625, www.pazonline.org.

Open house, to recognize women in history and to celebrate the Unitarian Universalist heritage, refreshments will be served, 4-6 p.m., North Parish Unitarian Church, 190 Academy Road, Parish Hall, North Andover; 978- 687-7948.

Live comedy, Kevin Knox, Jon Fisch, Anne Maneikis, $12, 9:30 p.m., Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Live comedy, Al Ducharme, Charlie Kwaks, Bernadette Pauley, $12, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., R-rated hypnotist Joey Devito every Sat. 10:30 p.m., Jokemavens Comedy Club, Guest House Inn and Suites, 159 Pelham St., Methuen; 866-404-JOKE. www.jokemaven.com.

Artists talk, Brush Art Gallery presents, *Chanthou Oeur* gallery slide/talk and poetry reading, 1 p.m., Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819.

Live music, Hot Day at the Zoo, no cover, 9 p.m., Higher Ground Coffee House, 194 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-4007.

Craft Fair, sponsored by Dracut High School Band Boosters, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Dracut High School 1540 Lakeview Ave., Dracut; 978-454-6043.

Antiques and collectibles show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., *see Mar. 28 entry.*

***Mary Poppins**, see Mar. 28 entry.*

***Cinderella,** 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., see Mar. 28 entry.*

Sunday, March 30

Talent Extravaganza, a talent show held by Curtis Knight and Joe Spanos for solo and duet performances, proceeds to benefit ongoing Andover High School projects, including the completion of the fund to create a new marquee for the Collins Center, $5, 2 p.m., Collins Center; Joe Spanos 978-697-9110.

Swim show, featuring the ANA Synchers synchronized swim team, $5, $3 seniors and children, 4 and 6:30 p.m., Anodover/North Andover YMCA, 165 Haverhill St.; 978-685-3541.

Live music, and dancing, sponsored by Division 8 AOH and LAOH and the Irish Foundation, Irish day of culture, dance lessons 1-2 p.m., music by Comhalt Musicians 2:30 p.m., lecture on traditional Irish music, 2 p.m., Claddagh Restaurant & Pub, 399 Canal St., Lawrence; 978-688-8337.

Theater, UMass Lowell Center for the Arts presents, *The Nightingale*, as part of the family *Discovery Series*, $10, 2 and 4 p.m., Durgin Hall, 35 Wilder St., UMass Lowell South Campus; 978-934-4444.

Live music and story, American Textile History Museum, Family Day Performance *An American Journey* Revels Circle Song presents a performance celebrating the immigrant experience, with an ensemble cast of singers, dancers and musicians, sponsored by Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, tickets are by advance reservation and will be held at the door, $10 for adults and $5 for children including Museum admission. American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton Street, Lowell; 978-441-0400, ext. 244, www.athm.org.

Artist's reception, Gordon Pryzbyla, free, 2-4 p.m., The Crescent Dragon, 59 Washington St., Haverhill, tickets 978-372-5441, www.crescentdragon.com.

Live music, Lorrie Landry, 5-9 p.m., Ipswich Bay Bar and Grill, 24-26 Hammatt St., Ipswich, reservations recommended; 978-356-7006.

***Cinderella**, 2 p.m., see Mar. 28 entry.*

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Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artist Series presents

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SouthWinds will offer a worship opportunity at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 22 entitled "Opening Pandora's Box," a worship service that organizers said is about "finding hope when everything around us seems to be going wrong." Featured in the service will be Living Water, an eclectic and multifaceted band from Berklee College of Music. These musicians are a part of the Christian Fellowship at Berklee, which seeks to share the message of God's love, grace, hope and salvation, serving the Greater Boston community through the gift and blessing of their music.

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Photographs of vintage cars by Steven B. Leed and Bernard J. Leed II; museum is open for tours Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. $5 admission, students $3, 97 Main St.; Elaine C. Zopes 978-475-2236 www.andhist.org.

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Town Manager's office, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St.; 978-623-8200.

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Essex Art Center, In Celebration of Women's History Month, paintings by: Lynn VanNatta, Judi Milano and Adrienne Araujo, Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday 10 a.m-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 56 Island St., Lawrence; 978-685-2343.

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Carl Bewig of 5 Morton St., a member of Spectrum Singers, a Boston area choral ensembles, will be performing Johannes Brahms' masterpiece, *Ein deutsches Requiem*, Friday, March 28, at 8 p.m. at the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul, 138 Tremont St., Boston.

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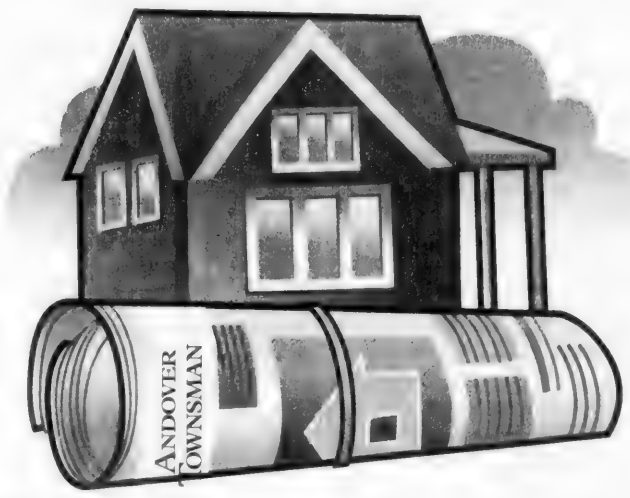

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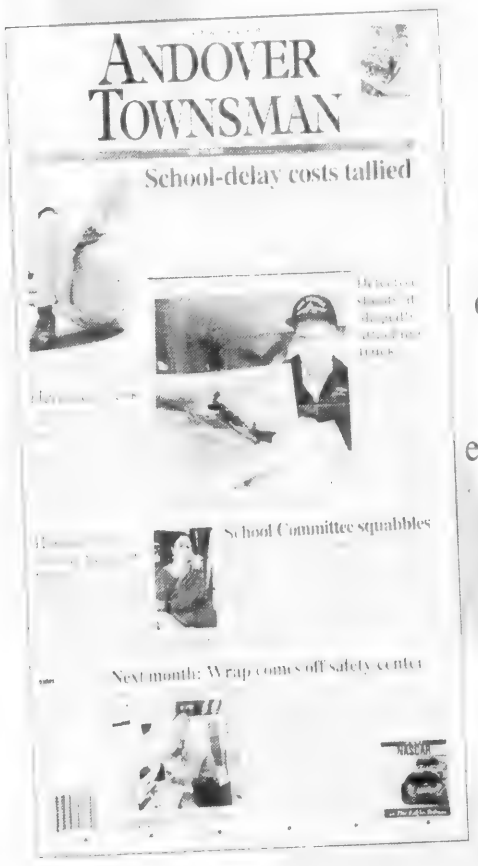

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of D. Shirazi, 19 William St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.5 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a 10'4"x24' addition that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 19 William St., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 52 as Lot 120

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Mark & Patricia Pelletier, 14 Wolcott Ave., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.5 to construct a 1 1/2 story addition that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 14 Wolcott Ave., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 38 as Lot 213

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

TOWN OF ANDOVER

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
STREET LAYOUT MEETING

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 22, a public hearing will be convened on Monday, March 31, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, to consider laying out the following streets: Andover Country Club Lane, Douglass Lane, Hitchcock Farm Road, Mortimer Drive and Regency Ridge.

Raymond E. Hender
Chairman
Andover Board of Selectmen
March 13 & 20, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of L & R Rentals, Inc. d/b/a Budget Rent A Car, 131 River Road, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 3.1.3.C.18 and as Party Aggrieved, for review of a decision made by the Building Inspector to operate a car rental business that does not meet zoning regulations.

Premises affected are located at 131 River Rd., Andover, MA in an ID District as shown on Assessor's Map 165 as Lot 1D

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 6:00 P.M. on the petition of Coachman Development, LLC, c/o 12 Chestnut St., Andover, MA for a modification of Decision No. 3153.

Premises affected are located at 170 Haverhill St., Andover, MA in an SRB District as shown on Assessor's Map 1 as Lot 3

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Richard Marino, 44 Central St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 and/or for a special permit under Article VIII § 3.3.5 to construct additions & alterations to an existing residence that that will not meet zoning regulations.

Premises affected are located at 44 Central St. Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 55 as Lot 135

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of The Chateau Restaurant of Andover, Inc., 195 School Street, Waltham, MA 02451 for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 5.2.13(3) to replace existing internally-illuminated, double-sided box sign & to add an L.E.D. message board mounted to existing pylons that will not meet zoning regulations.

Premises affected are located at 131 River Rd., Andover, MA in an Industrial D District as shown on Assessor's Map 165 as Lots 1 & 1D.

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BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Alan M. Cregg, 45 Maple St., Hamilton, MA 01982 for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.5 to construct a new residence behind existing dwelling on a lot that does not meet zoning regulations & the eventual demolition of the existing.

Premises affected are located at 25 Porter Rd., Andover, MA in an SRB District as shown on Assessor's Map 76 as Lot 39.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Robert & Christine Zdunczyk, 69 High St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, § 4.1.2 and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.3.5 to construct a deck that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 69 High St., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 38 as Lot 98.

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BOARD OF APPEALS
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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of River Birch Development, LLC, P.O. Box 101, Andover, MA for variances from the requirements of Article VIII, § 3.1.3.A.4 & § 7.6.2 and for a special permit under Article VIII, § 7.6.2 to construct a 3-unit dwelling that will not meet zoning requirements.

Premises affected are located at 53 High St., Andover, MA in an SRA District as shown on Assessor's Map 38 as Lot 104.

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
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March 20 & 27, 2003

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No.
03P0505AD1

In the Estate Of
MICHAEL FRANCIS PARE
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
January 15, 2003

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that TIMOTHY A PARE of HAMPTON FALLS in the STATE of NEW HAMPSHIRE be appointed administrator of said estate to serve without surety

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **APRIL 14, 2003.**

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court, this day, March 12, 2003.

Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate Court
March 20, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BALLARDVALE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in the Town Office Building, Second Floor Conference Room, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, on Wednesday, April 2, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Keith Martins for Jason Man for construction of parking area for 2 cars and rebuilding stone wall approximately 6 feet further back from present location.

Premises affected is located at 7 Tewksbury Street and shown on Assessor's Map 157 as Lot 38. The application is available for inspection in the Office of the Inspector of Buildings during business hours, Monday–Friday 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Christian Huntress
Chairperson
BallardVale Historic District
March 20, 2003

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at THE HALL, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 3, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Peter Lai, 9 Brown St., Andover, MA for a special permit under Article VIII, § 3.1.3.F.4 to construct a family dwelling unit.

Premises affected are located at 9 Brown St., Andover, MA in an SRC District as shown on Assessor's Map 212 as Lot 16.

DANIEL S. CASPER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 20 & 27, 2003

TOWN OF ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application submitted by Highview LLC, for a Special Permit for a Change in Parking Lot Design, under Section 5.1.11. of the Zoning By-Law, said application associated with a Special Permit for a Planned Development – Mixed Use, for the construction of nine residential units and 2,480 SF of new office along with a parking area containing 29 spaces. The project is located at 69 Park Street and more specifically identified as Lot 98 on Assessor's Map 39. The application and associated documents may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD
Paul Salafia, Chairman
March 20 & 27, 2003

TOWN OF ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at 8:15 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, pursuant to MGL, Chapter 40A, Section 5., on a petition of the State Department of Health sponsored by the Andover Board of Health and the Andover Conservation Commission, to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding new regulations that would create a Groundwater Protection Overlay District in two areas of Town next to the Tewksbury line. The stated intent and purpose of the proposed by-law is to preserve and protect groundwater resources in Zone II of the Tewksbury Hospital water supply wells for the health and safety of the residents, staff and visitors to the facility. Land in the overlay district may be used for all normally allowed purposes subject to certain regulations related to groundwater protection. The full text of the petition and map showing the proposed overlay district may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

THE ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD
Paul Salafia, Chairman
March 20 & 27, 2003

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
32 Lincoln Circle West
Andover, MA 01810

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Brian J. Callery and Olga M. Callery to New Century Mortgage Corporation, dated June 25, 1999, and filed with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 5485, Page 255, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on April 16, 2003 at 3:00 P.M., at or upon the mortgaged premises more particularly described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Andover, being shown as Lot No. 18 on a plan entitled "Relocation of lot lines of Subdivision and Acceptance Plan, portion of Lincoln Circle, Andover, owned by Lillian H. Cussell, October 1958"; said plan being recorded in the North District of Essex Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 3742; said premises being more particularly bounded and described as follows

Northerly	one hundred and fifty and 50/100 feet by Lillian Terrace as shown on said plan,
Northeasterly	thirty one and 42/100 feet by the curve at the intersection of Lillian Terrace and Lincoln Circle West as shown on said plan;
Easterly	eight feet by Lincoln Circle West as shown on said plan:
Southerly	one hundred sixty one and 53/100 feet by Lot No. 21 on said plan
Westerly	one hundred and 67/100 feet by Lot 19 as shown on said plan

Containing 16, 568 square feet according to said plan

This conveyance is made subject to restrictions of record which are now in force and applicable.

For title reference, see Deed dated September 21, 1994 and recorded with said Deeds at Book 4130, Page 121.

The mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public announcement at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public announcement at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date

The premises will be sold subject to and with the benefits of all rights, restrictions, easements, improvements, outstanding tax titles, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, betterments, liens or claims in the nature of liens and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, or entitled to precedence over the mortgage, if any insofar as the same are still in force and applicable to the premises

If the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale defaults in purchasing the property according to the terms of this notice of sale or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder provided that the second highest bidder deposits with Mortgagee's attorneys, Michienzie & Sawin LLC, the amount of the required deposit as set forth below within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder within thirty (30) days of the default.

TERMS OF SALE: Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars ($5,000.00) is to be paid in cash, certified check and/or bank cashier's check to be paid by the Purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid by the Purchaser by certified check and/or bank cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter at the offices of Harry Castleman, Esquire Michienzie & Sawin LLC, 101 Merrimac Street, Boston, MA 02114. Other terms to be announced at the sale

Firstar Bank Milwaukee, N.A., as Trustee
Under Salomon Brothers Mortgage
Securities VII Mortgage Pass-Through
Certificates Series 1999-NC4
present holder of said mortgage
by its attorney, Harry Castleman, Esquire
MICHIENZIE & SAWIN LLC
101 Merrimac Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 227-5660
March 20 & 27, April 3, 2003

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Anthony J. Pisano and Patricia A. Pisano to TMS Mortgage Inc. dba The Money Store dated 8/20/97 and recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 4825, Page 138 and now held by plaintiff by assignment, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **PUBLIC AUCTION at 1:00 P.M. on April 11, 2003,** on the mortgaged premises. The entire mortgaged premises, all and singular, the premises as described in said mortgage

The land with the buildings thereon located in Andover, Massachusetts, and shown as Lot 16 on a plan of land entitled "Definitive Plan of 'Golden Oaks' in Andover, Mass., Owner: Launching Road Trust of Andover, engineer: Nysten Engineering & Assoc., Scale 1"=40', Date: January 22, 1983", and said plan is recorded with North Essex Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 9165, and reference is made to said plan for a more particular description.

The aforesaid Lot 16 contains 31,001 square feet more or less according to said plan

Together with the right to the grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns, to pass, repass and otherwise use Golden Oaks Land and all other streets and ways in the Golden Oaks Subdivision in common with all other users lawfully entitled thereto, for all purposes for which such streets and ways are commonly used in Andover, Massachusetts.

Subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservation, restrictions, and taking of record, if any insofar as the same are now in force and applicable

In the event of any typographical error set forth herein in the legal description of the premises, the description as set forth and contained in the mortgage shall control by reference

This property has the address of **12 Cherrywood Circle, Andover, MA 01810.**

Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this sale

Terms of Sale:

Said premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax sales, tax titles and other municipal liens and water or sewer liens and State or County transfer fees, if any there are, and FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($5,000.00) in cashier's or certified check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale as a deposit and the balance in cashier's or certified check will be due in thirty (30) days, at the offices of DOONAN & GRAVES, & LANGORIA, L.L.C., 16 Front Street, Salem, Massachusetts, time being of the essence

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale-date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date

The premises is to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, leases, tenancies, and rights of possession, building and zoning laws, encumbrances, condominium liens and all other claim in the nature of liens, if any there be

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys DOONAN & GRAVES, & LANGORIA, L.L.C 16 Front Street, Salem, Massachusetts 01970, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of the default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to the said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice

If the second highest bidder declines to purchase the within described property, the Mortgagee reserves the right to purchase the within described property at the amount bid by the second highest bidder

The foreclosure deed and the consideration paid by the successful bidder shall be held in escrow by DOONAN & GRAVES AND LANGORIA, L.L.C. (hereinafter call the "Escrow Agent") until the deed shall be released from escrow to the successful bidder at the same time as the consideration is released to the Mortgagee, thirty (30) days after the date of sale, whereupon all obligations of the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to have been properly fulfilled and the Escrow Agent shall be discharged

Other terms to be announced at the sale

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under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of August 31, 1997,
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Dated March 11, 2003
March 20 & 27, April 3, 2003

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lih Ming Chen and Suchu Lai Chen to Long Beach Mortgage Company, dated March 28, 2001 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 6074, Page 328, of which mortgage Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, a national banking association f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California N.A. as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-2 is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 a.m. on April 15, 2003 on the mortgaged premises located at 20 Keystone Way, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage

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The land in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts being known as Lot #9 on a plan of land entitled "Definitive Plan of Hearthstone Village, Subdivision Plan of Land in Andover, Mass." of Keystone Way, Scale 1"=40' Date March 14, 1987 Sheets 4 & 5 of 15. Said plan being recorded with the Essex North Registry of Deeds as Plan Number 11021. Reference is made to said plan for a more particular description of said Lot #9

Said Lot #9 contains 47,779 square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan

Subject to all rights, restrictions, covenants and easements of record, insofar as the same way be to force and applicable

For mortgagors title see deed recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 3278, Page 321

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed

TERMS OF SALE

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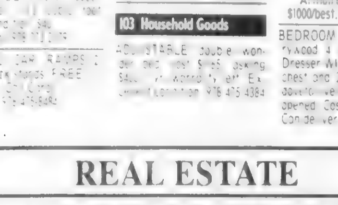

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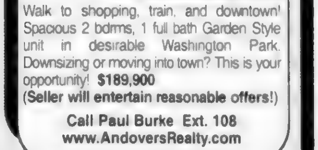

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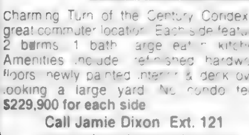

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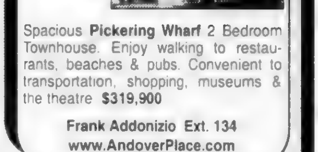

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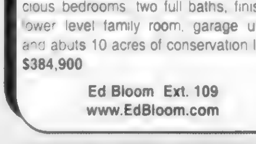

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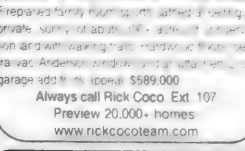

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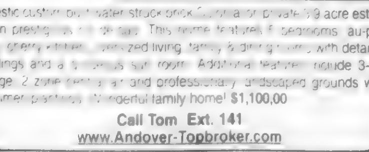

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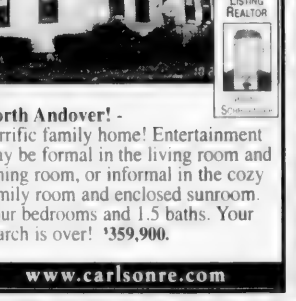

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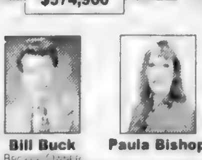

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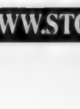

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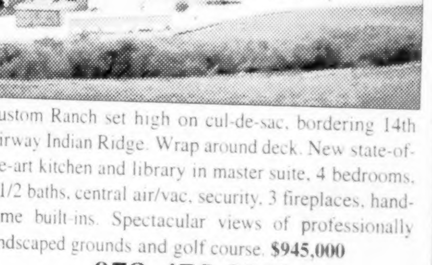

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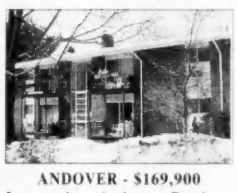

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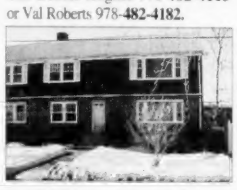

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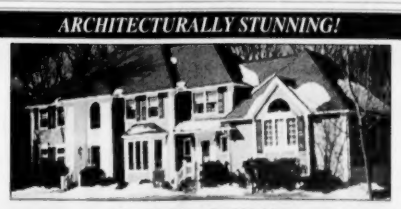

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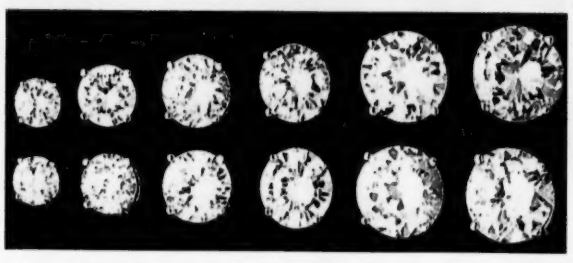

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